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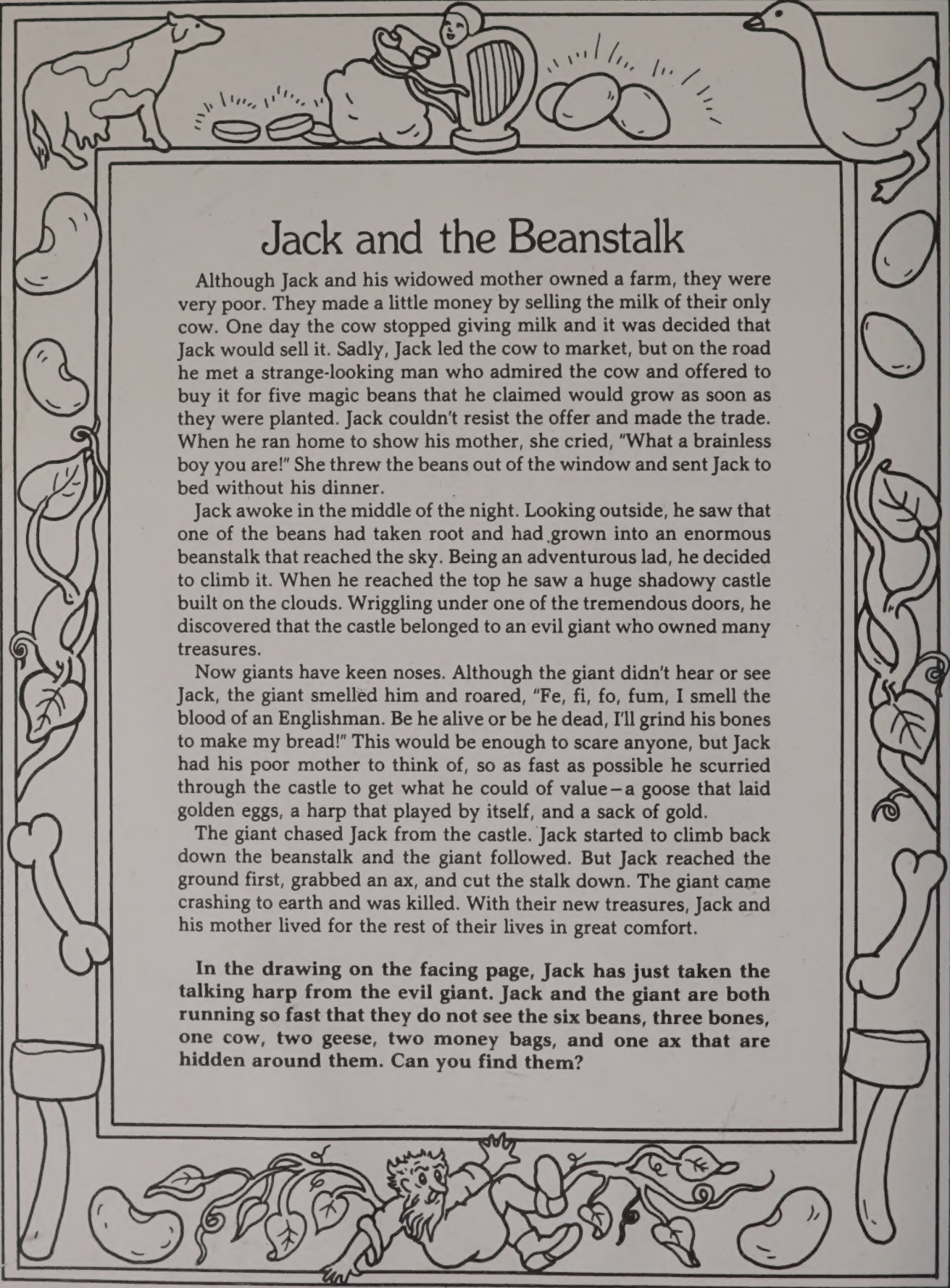
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Jack and the Beanstalk

Although Jack and his widowed mother owned a farm, they were very poor. They made a little money by selling the milk of their only cow. One day the cow stopped giving milk and it was decided that Jack would sell it. Sadly, Jack led the cow to market, but on the road he met a strange-looking man who admired the cow and offered to buy it for five magic beans that he claimed would grow as soon as they were planted. Jack couldn't resist the offer and made the trade. When he ran home to show his mother, she cried, "What a brainless boy you are!" She threw the beans out of the window and sent Jack to bed without his dinner.

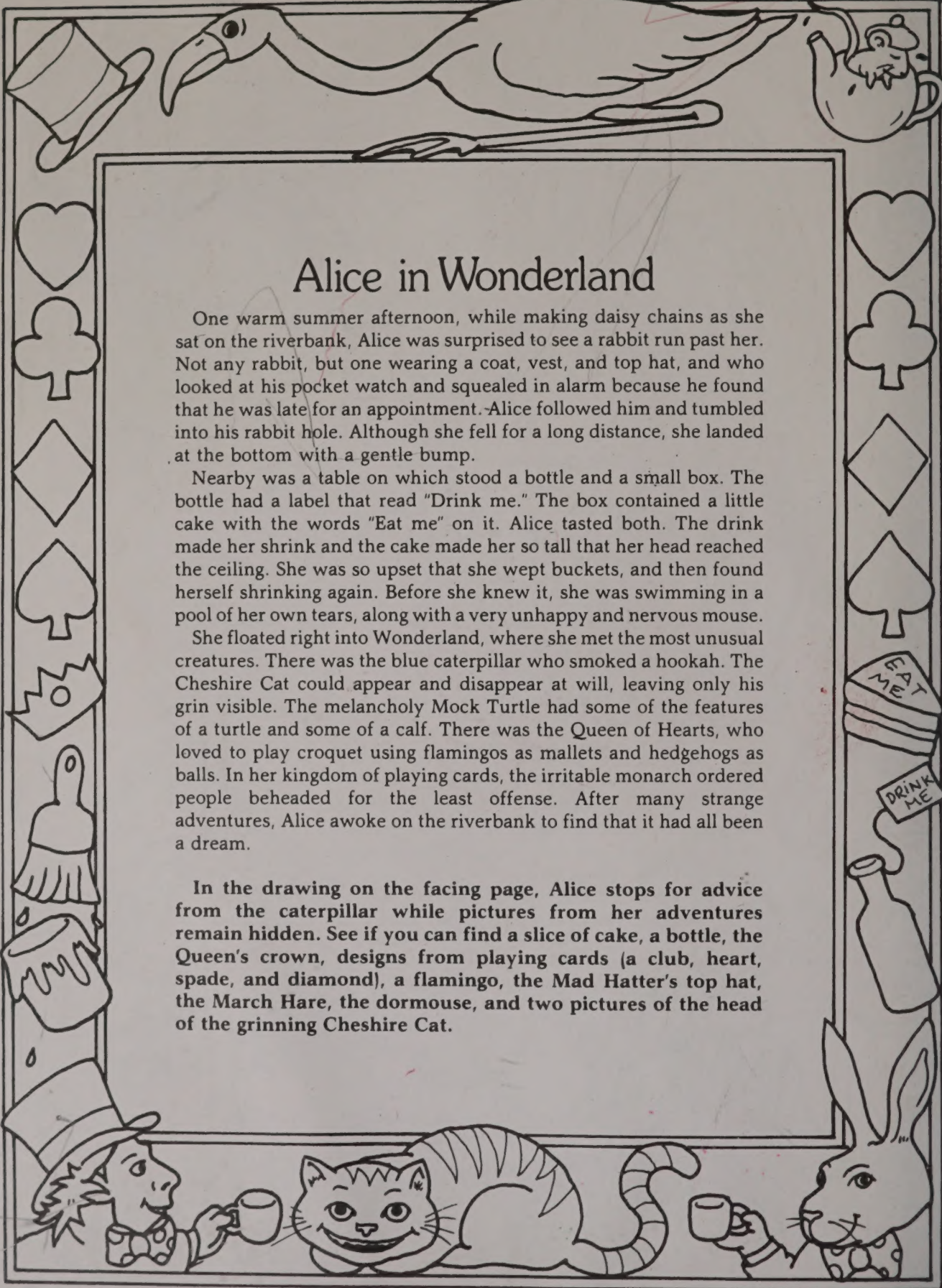
Jack awoke in the middle of the night. Looking outside, he saw that one of the beans had taken root and had grown into an enormous beanstalk that reached the sky. Being an adventurous lad, he decided to climb it. When he reached the top he saw a huge shadowy castle built on the clouds. Wriggling under one of the tremendous doors, he discovered that the castle belonged to an evil giant who owned many treasures.

Now giants have keen noses. Although the giant didn't hear or see Jack, the giant smelled him and roared, "Fe, fi, fo, fum, I smell the blood of an Englishman. Be he alive or be he dead, I'll grind his bones to make my bread!" This would be enough to scare anyone, but Jack had his poor mother to think of, so as fast as possible he scurried through the castle to get what he could of value—a goose that laid golden eggs, a harp that played by itself, and a sack of gold.

The giant chased Jack from the castle. Jack started to climb back down the beanstalk and the giant followed. But Jack reached the ground first, grabbed an ax, and cut the stalk down. The giant came crashing to earth and was killed. With their new treasures, Jack and his mother lived for the rest of their lives in great comfort.

In the drawing on the facing page, Jack has just taken the talking harp from the evil giant. Jack and the giant are both running so fast that they do not see the six beans, three bones, one cow, two geese, two money bags, and one ax that are hidden around them. Can you find them?





Alice in Wonderland

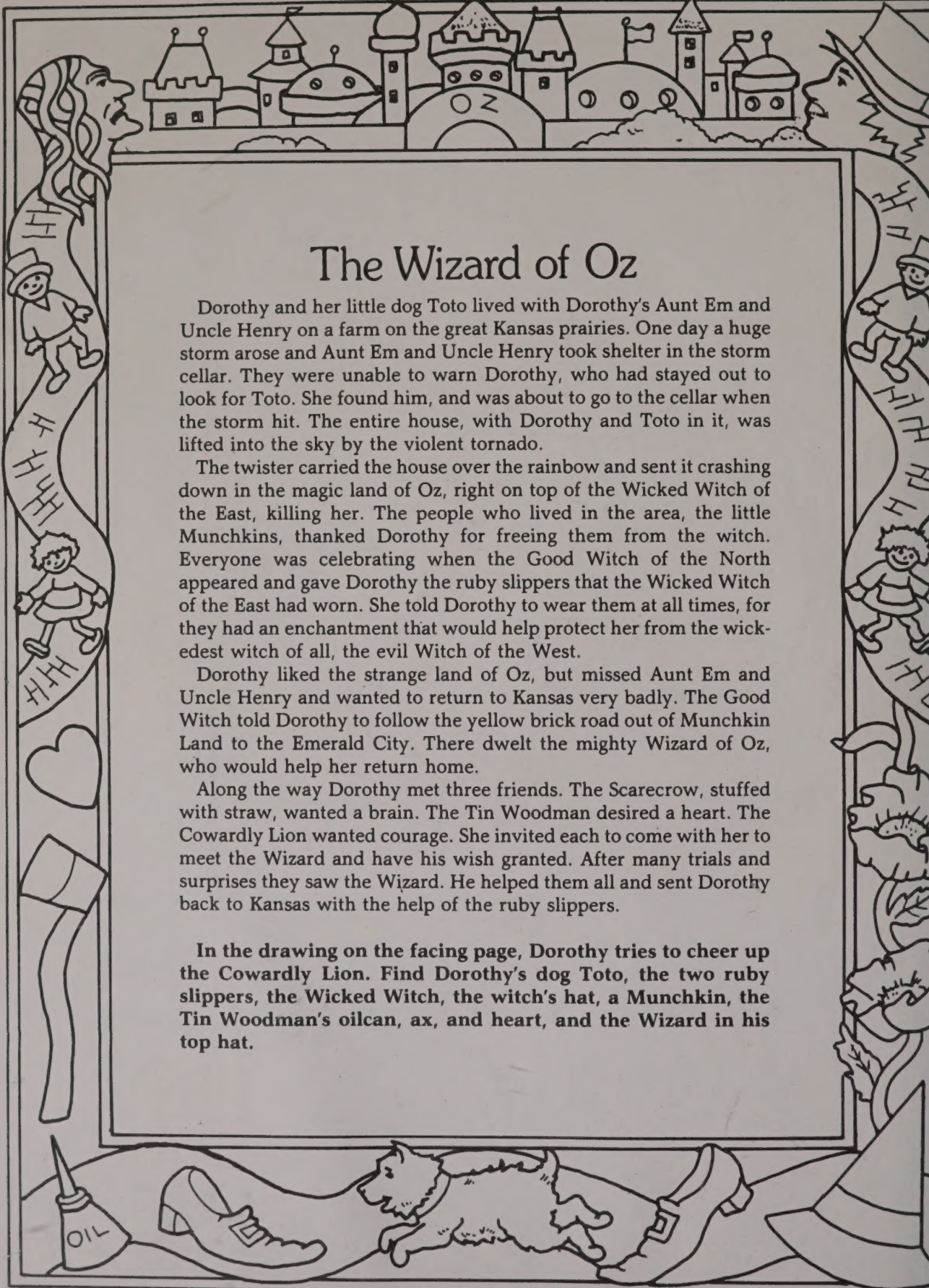
One warm summer afternoon, while making daisy chains as she sat on the riverbank, Alice was surprised to see a rabbit run past her. Not any rabbit, but one wearing a coat, vest, and top hat, and who looked at his pocket watch and squealed in alarm because he found that he was late for an appointment. Alice followed him and tumbled into his rabbit hole. Although she fell for a long distance, she landed at the bottom with a gentle bump.

Nearby was a table on which stood a bottle and a small box. The bottle had a label that read "Drink me." The box contained a little cake with the words "Eat me" on it. Alice tasted both. The drink made her shrink and the cake made her so tall that her head reached the ceiling. She was so upset that she wept buckets, and then found herself shrinking again. Before she knew it, she was swimming in a pool of her own tears, along with a very unhappy and nervous mouse.

She floated right into Wonderland, where she met the most unusual creatures. There was the blue caterpillar who smoked a hookah. The Cheshire Cat could appear and disappear at will, leaving only his grin visible. The melancholy Mock Turtle had some of the features of a turtle and some of a calf. There was the Queen of Hearts, who loved to play croquet using flamingos as mallets and hedgehogs as balls. In her kingdom of playing cards, the irritable monarch ordered people beheaded for the least offense. After many strange adventures, Alice awoke on the riverbank to find that it had all been a dream.

In the drawing on the facing page, Alice stops for advice from the caterpillar while pictures from her adventures remain hidden. See if you can find a slice of cake, a bottle, the Queen's crown, designs from playing cards (a club, heart, spade, and diamond), a flamingo, the Mad Hatter's top hat, the March Hare, the dormouse, and two pictures of the head of the grinning Cheshire Cat.





The Wizard of Oz

Dorothy and her little dog Toto lived with Dorothy's Aunt Em and Uncle Henry on a farm on the great Kansas prairies. One day a huge storm arose and Aunt Em and Uncle Henry took shelter in the storm cellar. They were unable to warn Dorothy, who had stayed out to look for Toto. She found him, and was about to go to the cellar when the storm hit. The entire house, with Dorothy and Toto in it, was lifted into the sky by the violent tornado.

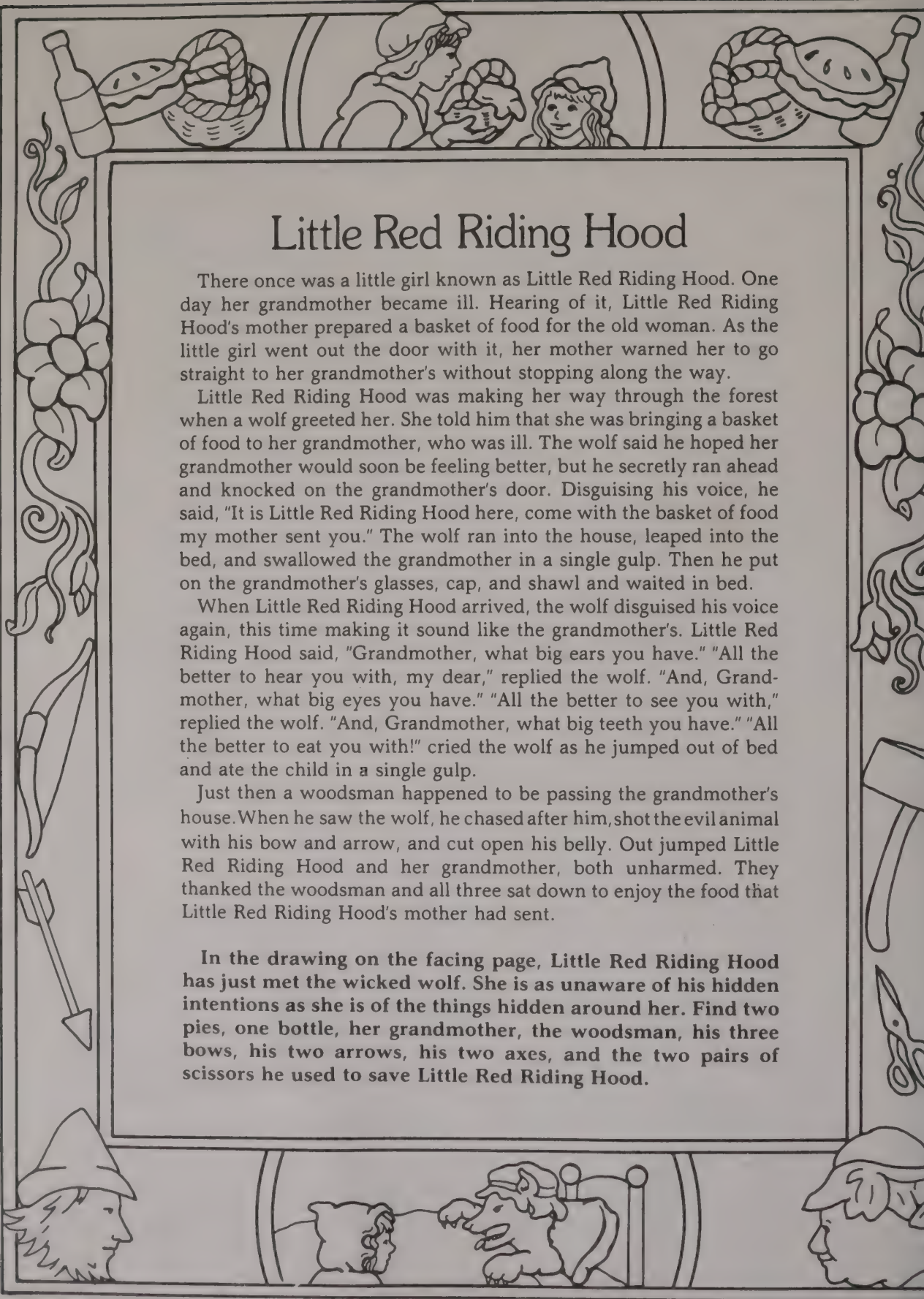
The twister carried the house over the rainbow and sent it crashing down in the magic land of Oz, right on top of the Wicked Witch of the East, killing her. The people who lived in the area, the little Munchkins, thanked Dorothy for freeing them from the witch. Everyone was celebrating when the Good Witch of the North appeared and gave Dorothy the ruby slippers that the Wicked Witch of the East had worn. She told Dorothy to wear them at all times, for they had an enchantment that would help protect her from the wickedest witch of all, the evil Witch of the West.

Dorothy liked the strange land of Oz, but missed Aunt Em and Uncle Henry and wanted to return to Kansas very badly. The Good Witch told Dorothy to follow the yellow brick road out of Munchkin Land to the Emerald City. There dwelt the mighty Wizard of Oz, who would help her return home.

Along the way Dorothy met three friends. The Scarecrow, stuffed with straw, wanted a brain. The Tin Woodman desired a heart. The Cowardly Lion wanted courage. She invited each to come with her to meet the Wizard and have his wish granted. After many trials and surprises they saw the Wizard. He helped them all and sent Dorothy back to Kansas with the help of the ruby slippers.

In the drawing on the facing page, Dorothy tries to cheer up the Cowardly Lion. Find Dorothy's dog Toto, the two ruby slippers, the Wicked Witch, the witch's hat, a Munchkin, the Tin Woodman's oilcan, ax, and heart, and the Wizard in his top hat.





Little Red Riding Hood

There once was a little girl known as Little Red Riding Hood. One day her grandmother became ill. Hearing of it, Little Red Riding Hood's mother prepared a basket of food for the old woman. As the little girl went out the door with it, her mother warned her to go straight to her grandmother's without stopping along the way.

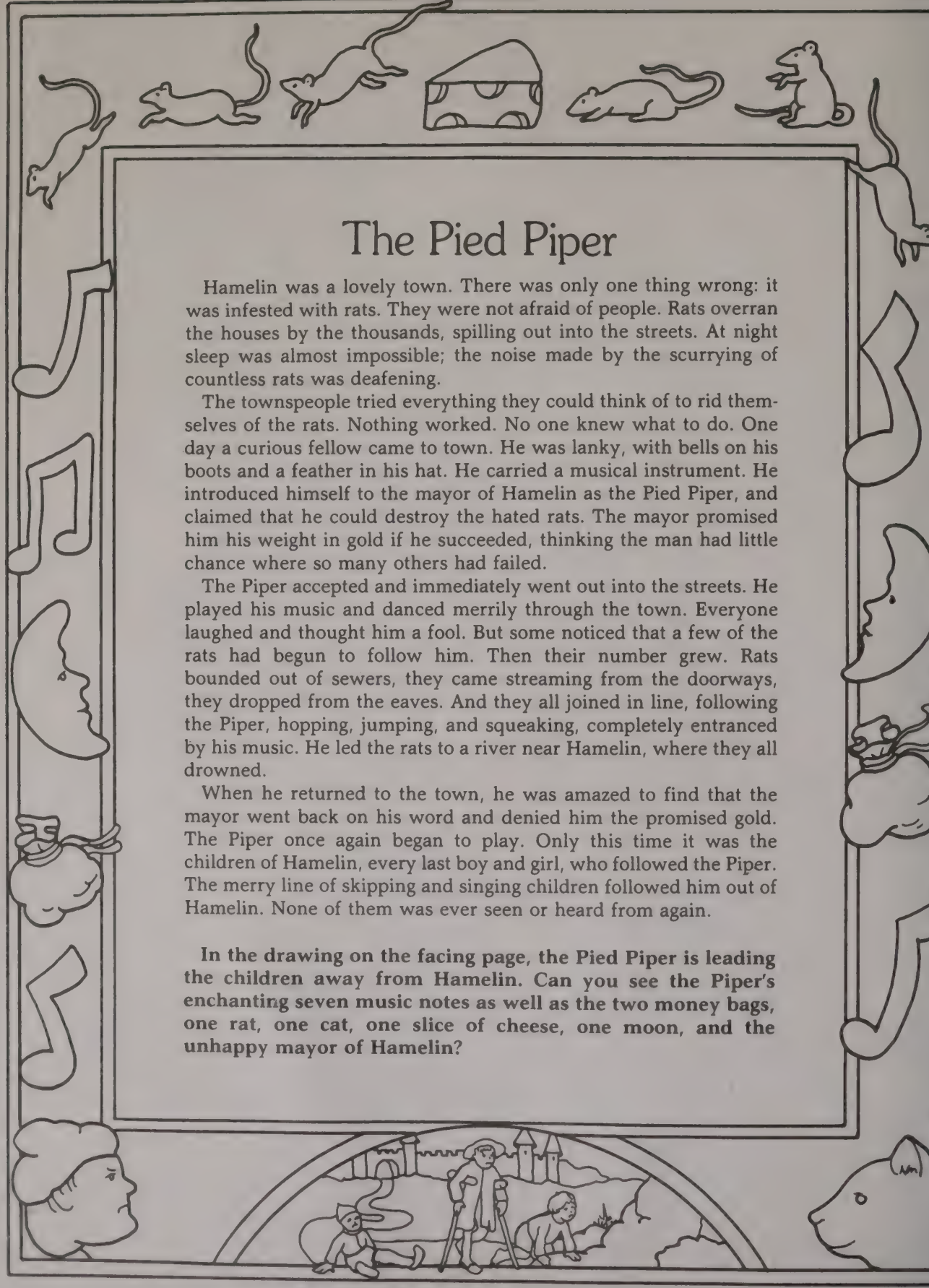
Little Red Riding Hood was making her way through the forest when a wolf greeted her. She told him that she was bringing a basket of food to her grandmother, who was ill. The wolf said he hoped her grandmother would soon be feeling better, but he secretly ran ahead and knocked on the grandmother's door. Disguising his voice, he said, "It is Little Red Riding Hood here, come with the basket of food my mother sent you." The wolf ran into the house, leaped into the bed, and swallowed the grandmother in a single gulp. Then he put on the grandmother's glasses, cap, and shawl and waited in bed.

When Little Red Riding Hood arrived, the wolf disguised his voice again, this time making it sound like the grandmother's. Little Red Riding Hood said, "Grandmother, what big ears you have." "All the better to hear you with, my dear," replied the wolf. "And, Grandmother, what big eyes you have." "All the better to see you with," replied the wolf. "And, Grandmother, what big teeth you have." "All the better to eat you with!" cried the wolf as he jumped out of bed and ate the child in a single gulp.

Just then a woodsman happened to be passing the grandmother's house. When he saw the wolf, he chased after him, shot the evil animal with his bow and arrow, and cut open his belly. Out jumped Little Red Riding Hood and her grandmother, both unharmed. They thanked the woodsman and all three sat down to enjoy the food that Little Red Riding Hood's mother had sent.

In the drawing on the facing page, Little Red Riding Hood has just met the wicked wolf. She is as unaware of his hidden intentions as she is of the things hidden around her. Find two pies, one bottle, her grandmother, the woodsman, his three bows, his two arrows, his two axes, and the two pairs of scissors he used to save Little Red Riding Hood.





The Pied Piper

Hamelin was a lovely town. There was only one thing wrong: it was infested with rats. They were not afraid of people. Rats overran the houses by the thousands, spilling out into the streets. At night sleep was almost impossible; the noise made by the scurrying of countless rats was deafening.

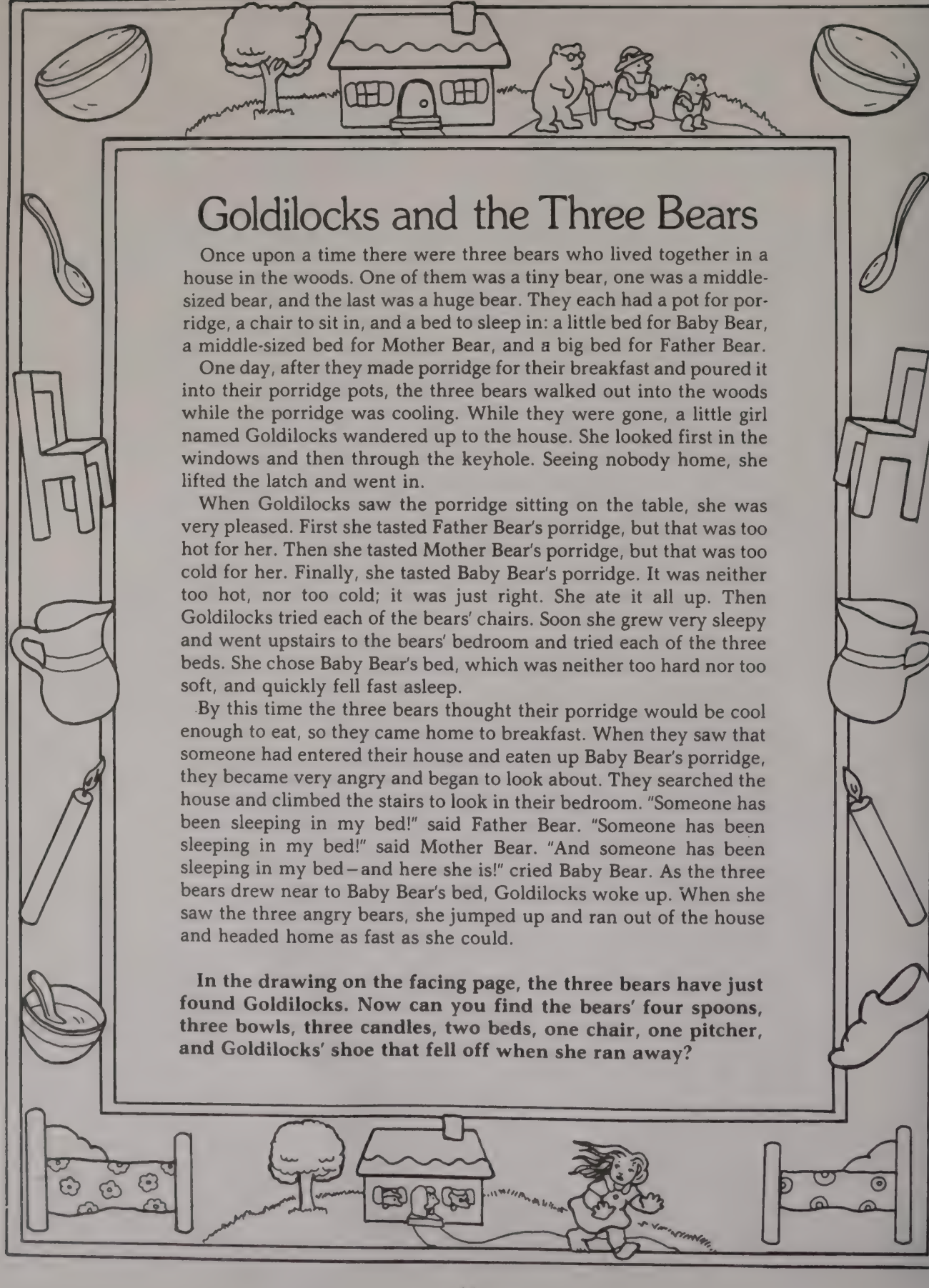
The townspeople tried everything they could think of to rid themselves of the rats. Nothing worked. No one knew what to do. One day a curious fellow came to town. He was lanky, with bells on his boots and a feather in his hat. He carried a musical instrument. He introduced himself to the mayor of Hamelin as the Pied Piper, and claimed that he could destroy the hated rats. The mayor promised him his weight in gold if he succeeded, thinking the man had little chance where so many others had failed.

The Piper accepted and immediately went out into the streets. He played his music and danced merrily through the town. Everyone laughed and thought him a fool. But some noticed that a few of the rats had begun to follow him. Then their number grew. Rats bounded out of sewers, they came streaming from the doorways, they dropped from the eaves. And they all joined in line, following the Piper, hopping, jumping, and squeaking, completely entranced by his music. He led the rats to a river near Hamelin, where they all drowned.

When he returned to the town, he was amazed to find that the mayor went back on his word and denied him the promised gold. The Piper once again began to play. Only this time it was the children of Hamelin, every last boy and girl, who followed the Piper. The merry line of skipping and singing children followed him out of Hamelin. None of them was ever seen or heard from again.

In the drawing on the facing page, the Pied Piper is leading the children away from Hamelin. Can you see the Piper's enchanting seven music notes as well as the two money bags, one rat, one cat, one slice of cheese, one moon, and the unhappy mayor of Hamelin?





Goldilocks and the Three Bears

Once upon a time there were three bears who lived together in a house in the woods. One of them was a tiny bear, one was a middle-sized bear, and the last was a huge bear. They each had a pot for porridge, a chair to sit in, and a bed to sleep in: a little bed for Baby Bear, a middle-sized bed for Mother Bear, and a big bed for Father Bear.

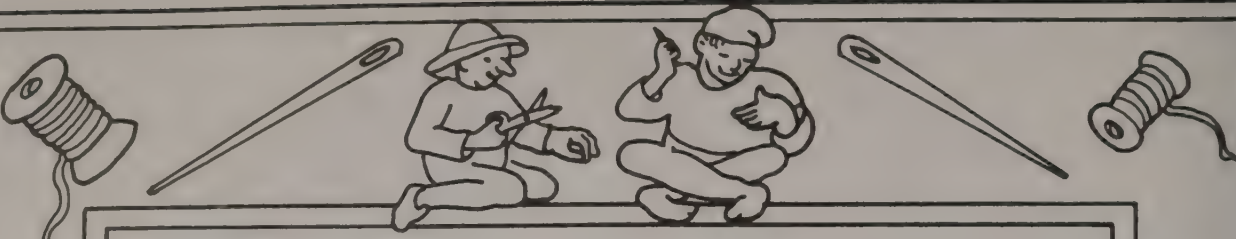
One day, after they made porridge for their breakfast and poured it into their porridge pots, the three bears walked out into the woods while the porridge was cooling. While they were gone, a little girl named Goldilocks wandered up to the house. She looked first in the windows and then through the keyhole. Seeing nobody home, she lifted the latch and went in.

When Goldilocks saw the porridge sitting on the table, she was very pleased. First she tasted Father Bear's porridge, but that was too hot for her. Then she tasted Mother Bear's porridge, but that was too cold for her. Finally, she tasted Baby Bear's porridge. It was neither too hot, nor too cold; it was just right. She ate it all up. Then Goldilocks tried each of the bears' chairs. Soon she grew very sleepy and went upstairs to the bears' bedroom and tried each of the three beds. She chose Baby Bear's bed, which was neither too hard nor too soft, and quickly fell fast asleep.

By this time the three bears thought their porridge would be cool enough to eat, so they came home to breakfast. When they saw that someone had entered their house and eaten up Baby Bear's porridge, they became very angry and began to look about. They searched the house and climbed the stairs to look in their bedroom. "Someone has been sleeping in my bed!" said Father Bear. "Someone has been sleeping in my bed!" said Mother Bear. "And someone has been sleeping in my bed—and here she is!" cried Baby Bear. As the three bears drew near to Baby Bear's bed, Goldilocks woke up. When she saw the three angry bears, she jumped up and ran out of the house and headed home as fast as she could.

In the drawing on the facing page, the three bears have just found Goldilocks. Now can you find the bears' four spoons, three bowls, three candles, two beds, one chair, one pitcher, and Goldilocks' shoe that fell off when she ran away?





The Emperor's New Clothes

Many years ago there lived an emperor who was so fond of new clothes that he spent all his money on them. He did not care about anything else. One day two men posing as weavers arrived in the great city where the emperor lived. They claimed that they knew how to manufacture clothes that were invisible to anyone who was not fit for his office or who was extremely stupid.

"Those must be splendid clothes," thought the emperor. "If I had them on I could find out which men in my kingdom are unfit for the offices they hold; I could distinguish the wise from the stupid!" He gave the imposters a great deal of money and told them to begin their work. They set up their looms and pretended to weave, but they had nothing on the looms. They demanded the finest silk and gold, which they put in their pockets, and worked at the empty looms until late into the night.

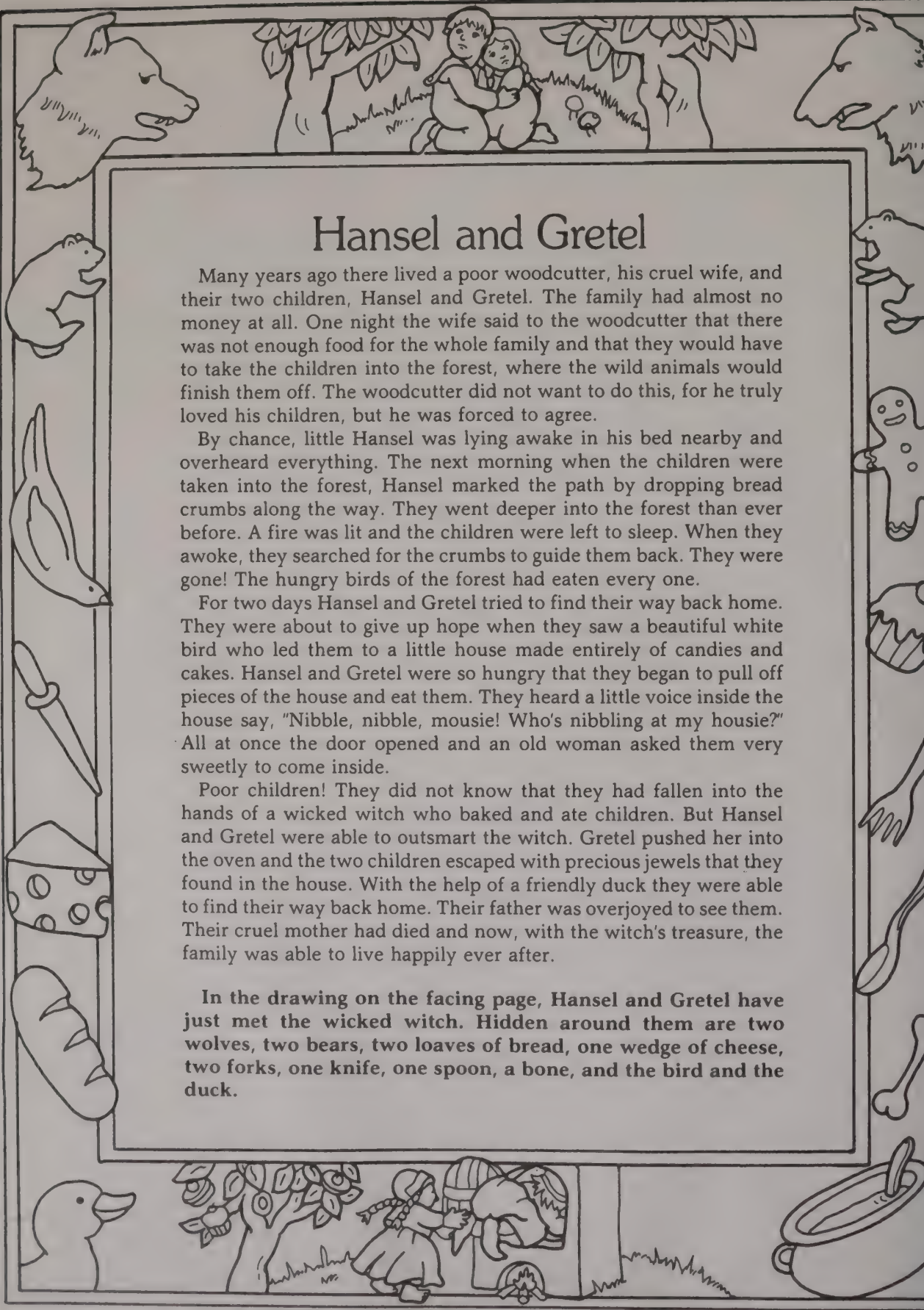
When the emperor came to try on the clothes, his advisers said, "Oh! They are beautiful," even though neither they nor the emperor could see anything at all. They advised him to wear these new and magnificent clothes for the first time at the great procession that was soon to take place.

The day of the procession arrived and the emperor put on the new clothes and walked through the streets under a splendid canopy. All the people in the streets and at the windows said, "How matchless are the emperor's new clothes!" No one wished it to be known that he could see nothing, for then he would have been deemed to be unfit for his office or very stupid. None of the emperor's clothes had ever met with such approval as did these. All of a sudden there was a voice in the crowd. "But he has nothing on!" cried a little child. Each person whispered to his neighbor what the child had said. Soon all the people called out at last that the emperor had nothing on at all.

In the drawing on the facing page, the child is saying that the emperor has nothing on, and now the rest of the people are not afraid to speak the truth. The foolish emperor needs to find some clothing quickly. If only he would look, he would see two jackets, three socks, three slippers, two mittens, one pair of pants, two spools of thread, one needle, and one pair of scissors.







Hansel and Gretel

Many years ago there lived a poor woodcutter, his cruel wife, and their two children, Hansel and Gretel. The family had almost no money at all. One night the wife said to the woodcutter that there was not enough food for the whole family and that they would have to take the children into the forest, where the wild animals would finish them off. The woodcutter did not want to do this, for he truly loved his children, but he was forced to agree.

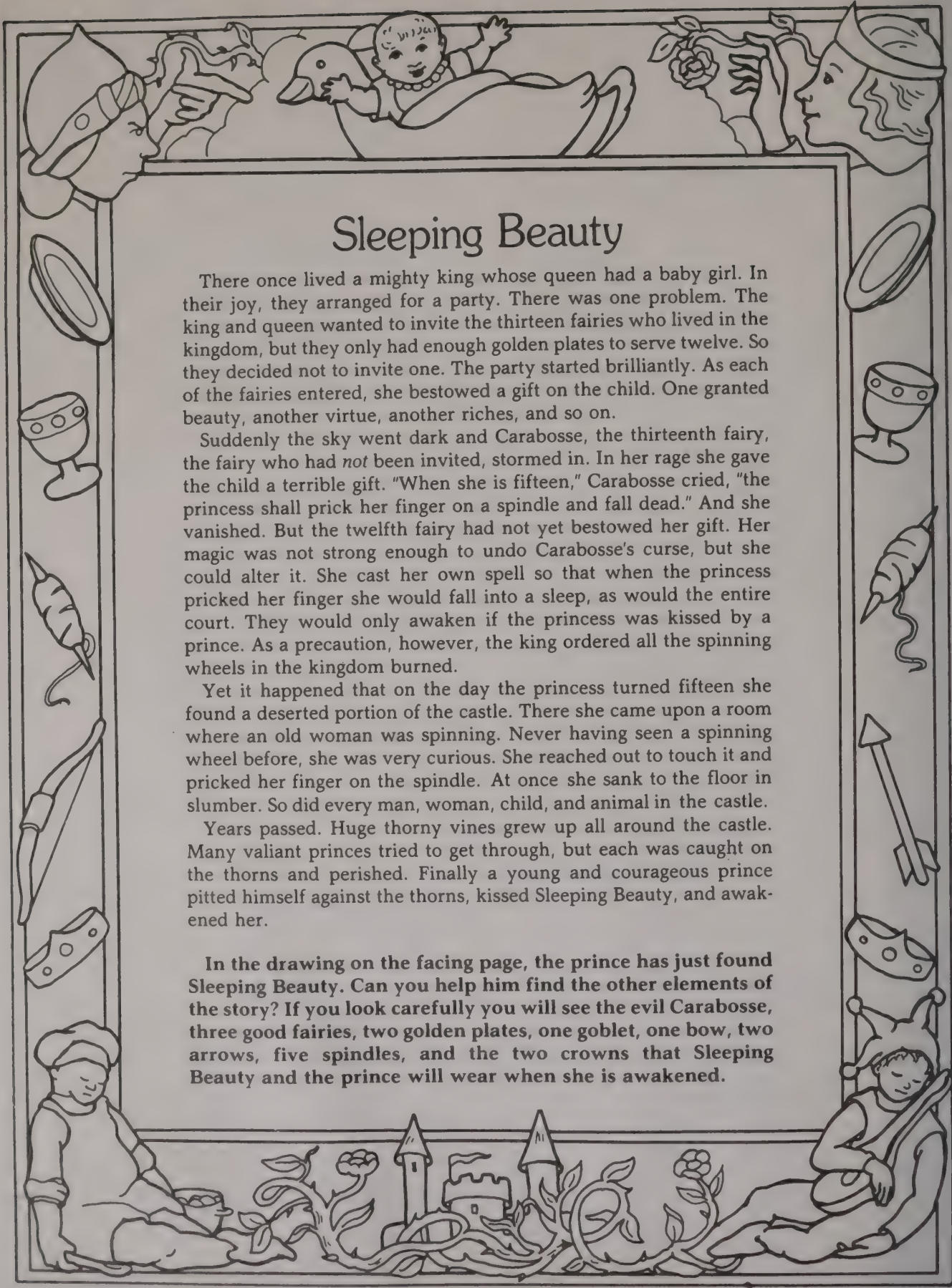
By chance, little Hansel was lying awake in his bed nearby and overheard everything. The next morning when the children were taken into the forest, Hansel marked the path by dropping bread crumbs along the way. They went deeper into the forest than ever before. A fire was lit and the children were left to sleep. When they awoke, they searched for the crumbs to guide them back. They were gone! The hungry birds of the forest had eaten every one.

For two days Hansel and Gretel tried to find their way back home. They were about to give up hope when they saw a beautiful white bird who led them to a little house made entirely of candies and cakes. Hansel and Gretel were so hungry that they began to pull off pieces of the house and eat them. They heard a little voice inside the house say, "Nibble, nibble, mousie! Who's nibbling at my housie?" All at once the door opened and an old woman asked them very sweetly to come inside.

Poor children! They did not know that they had fallen into the hands of a wicked witch who baked and ate children. But Hansel and Gretel were able to outsmart the witch. Gretel pushed her into the oven and the two children escaped with precious jewels that they found in the house. With the help of a friendly duck they were able to find their way back home. Their father was overjoyed to see them. Their cruel mother had died and now, with the witch's treasure, the family was able to live happily ever after.

In the drawing on the facing page, Hansel and Gretel have just met the wicked witch. Hidden around them are two wolves, two bears, two loaves of bread, one wedge of cheese, two forks, one knife, one spoon, a bone, and the bird and the duck.





Sleeping Beauty

There once lived a mighty king whose queen had a baby girl. In their joy, they arranged for a party. There was one problem. The king and queen wanted to invite the thirteen fairies who lived in the kingdom, but they only had enough golden plates to serve twelve. So they decided not to invite one. The party started brilliantly. As each of the fairies entered, she bestowed a gift on the child. One granted beauty, another virtue, another riches, and so on.

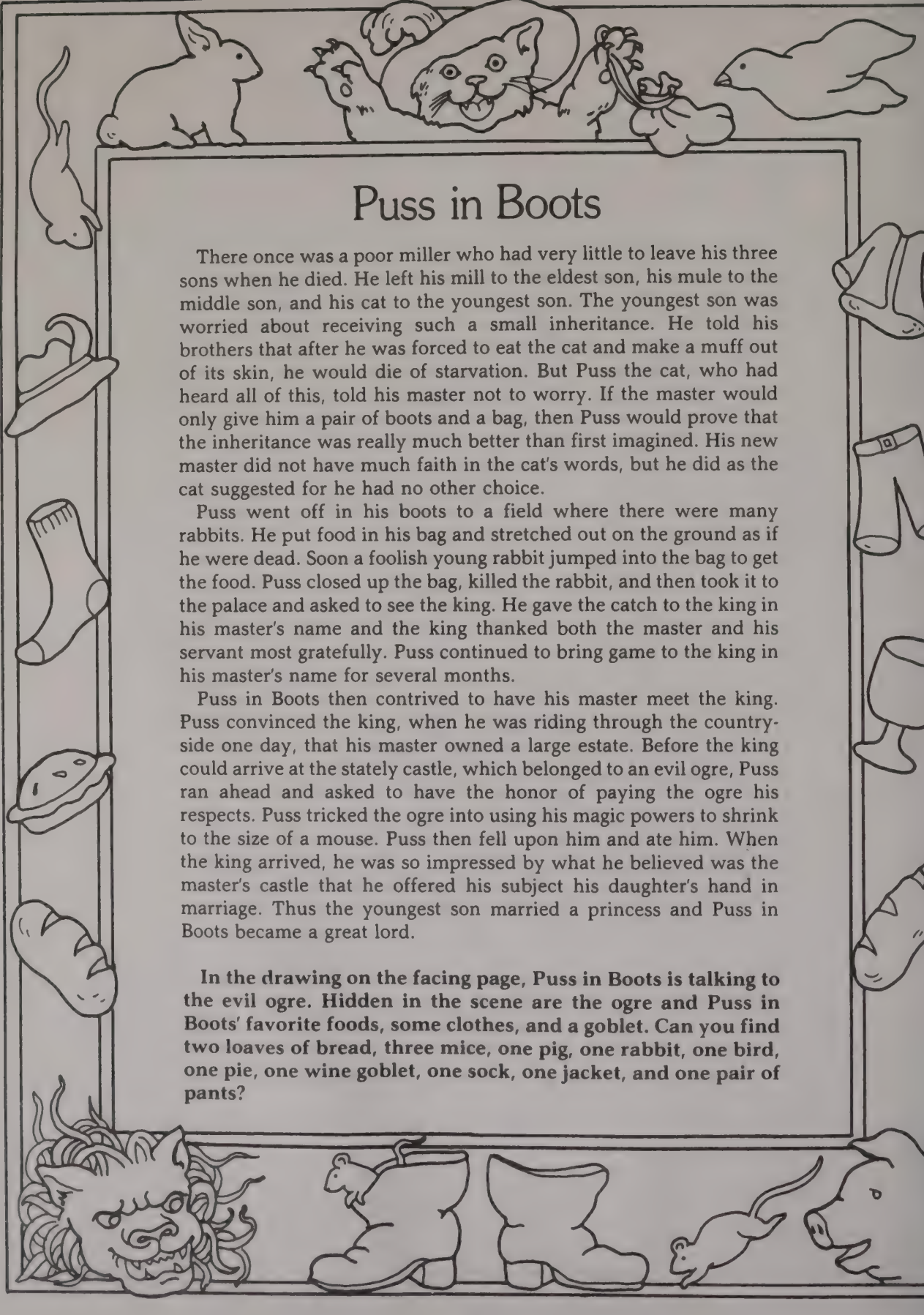
Suddenly the sky went dark and Carabosse, the thirteenth fairy, the fairy who had *not* been invited, stormed in. In her rage she gave the child a terrible gift. "When she is fifteen," Carabosse cried, "the princess shall prick her finger on a spindle and fall dead." And she vanished. But the twelfth fairy had not yet bestowed her gift. Her magic was not strong enough to undo Carabosse's curse, but she could alter it. She cast her own spell so that when the princess pricked her finger she would fall into a sleep, as would the entire court. They would only awaken if the princess was kissed by a prince. As a precaution, however, the king ordered all the spinning wheels in the kingdom burned.

Yet it happened that on the day the princess turned fifteen she found a deserted portion of the castle. There she came upon a room where an old woman was spinning. Never having seen a spinning wheel before, she was very curious. She reached out to touch it and pricked her finger on the spindle. At once she sank to the floor in slumber. So did every man, woman, child, and animal in the castle.

Years passed. Huge thorny vines grew up all around the castle. Many valiant princes tried to get through, but each was caught on the thorns and perished. Finally a young and courageous prince pitted himself against the thorns, kissed Sleeping Beauty, and awakened her.

In the drawing on the facing page, the prince has just found Sleeping Beauty. Can you help him find the other elements of the story? If you look carefully you will see the evil Carabosse, three good fairies, two golden plates, one goblet, one bow, two arrows, five spindles, and the two crowns that Sleeping Beauty and the prince will wear when she is awakened.





Puss in Boots

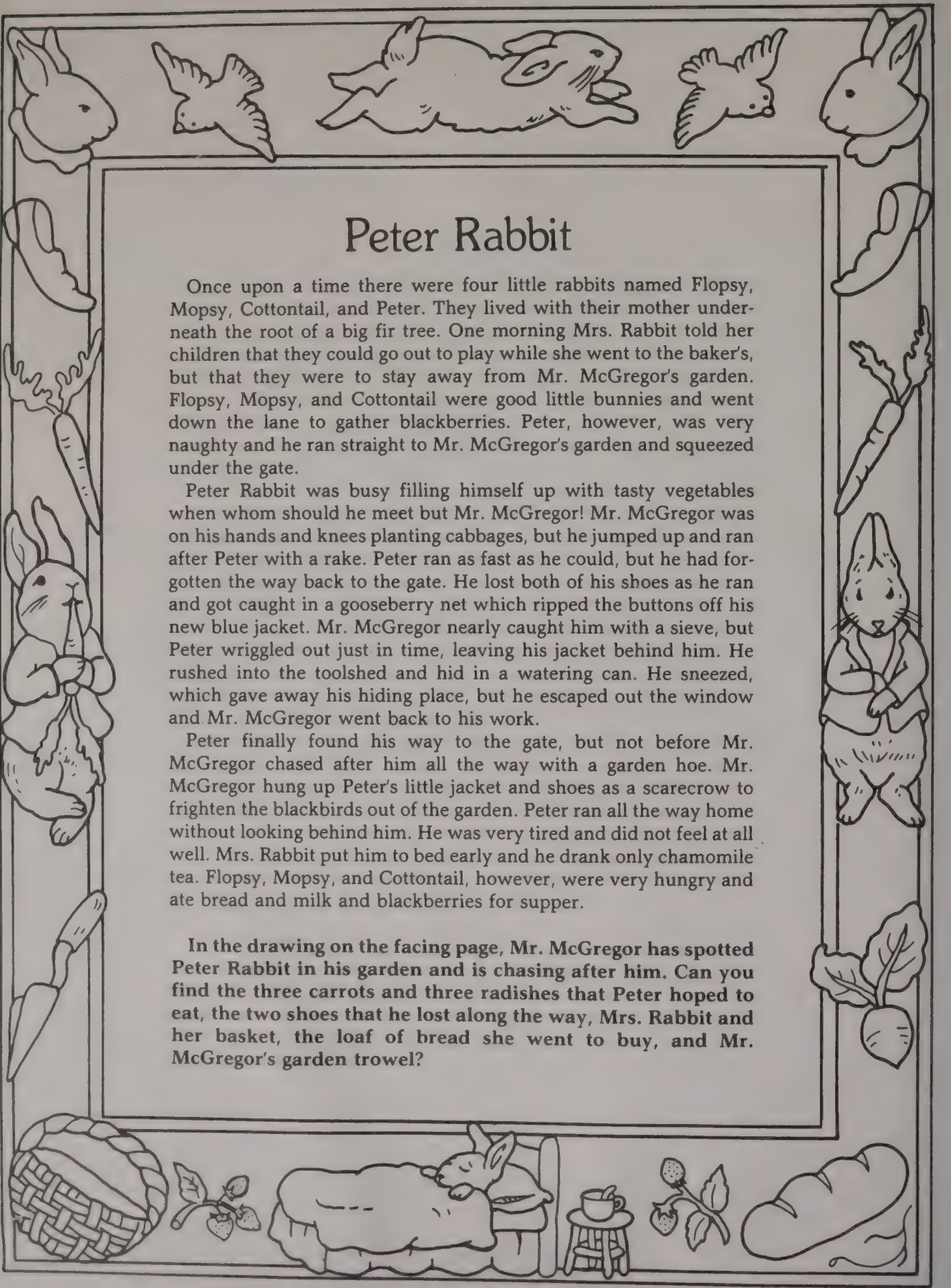
There once was a poor miller who had very little to leave his three sons when he died. He left his mill to the eldest son, his mule to the middle son, and his cat to the youngest son. The youngest son was worried about receiving such a small inheritance. He told his brothers that after he was forced to eat the cat and make a muff out of its skin, he would die of starvation. But Puss the cat, who had heard all of this, told his master not to worry. If the master would only give him a pair of boots and a bag, then Puss would prove that the inheritance was really much better than first imagined. His new master did not have much faith in the cat's words, but he did as the cat suggested for he had no other choice.

Puss went off in his boots to a field where there were many rabbits. He put food in his bag and stretched out on the ground as if he were dead. Soon a foolish young rabbit jumped into the bag to get the food. Puss closed up the bag, killed the rabbit, and then took it to the palace and asked to see the king. He gave the catch to the king in his master's name and the king thanked both the master and his servant most gratefully. Puss continued to bring game to the king in his master's name for several months.

Puss in Boots then contrived to have his master meet the king. Puss convinced the king, when he was riding through the countryside one day, that his master owned a large estate. Before the king could arrive at the stately castle, which belonged to an evil ogre, Puss ran ahead and asked to have the honor of paying the ogre his respects. Puss tricked the ogre into using his magic powers to shrink to the size of a mouse. Puss then fell upon him and ate him. When the king arrived, he was so impressed by what he believed was the master's castle that he offered his subject his daughter's hand in marriage. Thus the youngest son married a princess and Puss in Boots became a great lord.

In the drawing on the facing page, Puss in Boots is talking to the evil ogre. Hidden in the scene are the ogre and Puss in Boots' favorite foods, some clothes, and a goblet. Can you find two loaves of bread, three mice, one pig, one rabbit, one bird, one pie, one wine goblet, one sock, one jacket, and one pair of pants?





Peter Rabbit

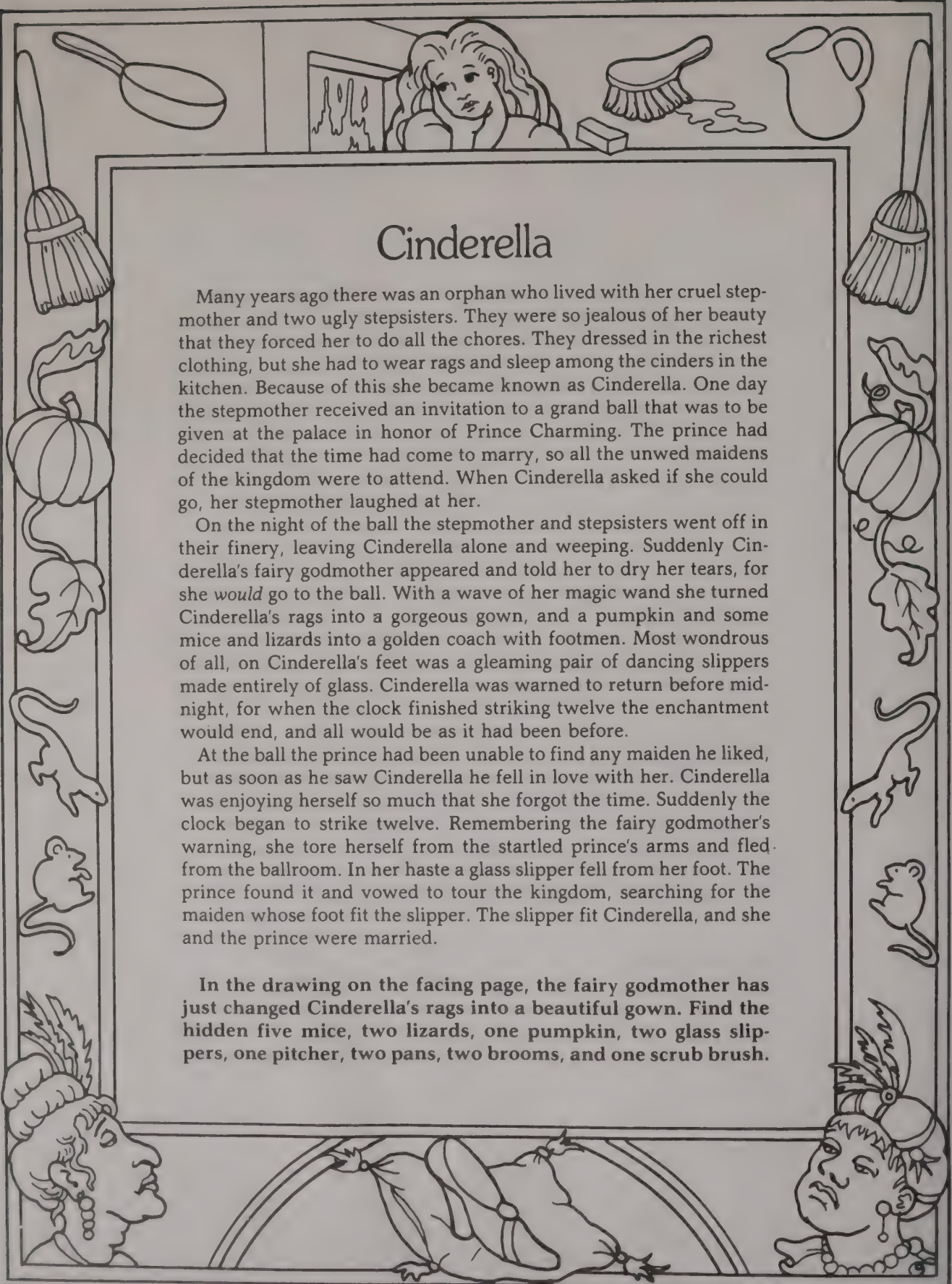
Once upon a time there were four little rabbits named Flopsy, Mopsy, Cottontail, and Peter. They lived with their mother underneath the root of a big fir tree. One morning Mrs. Rabbit told her children that they could go out to play while she went to the baker's, but that they were to stay away from Mr. McGregor's garden. Flopsy, Mopsy, and Cottontail were good little bunnies and went down the lane to gather blackberries. Peter, however, was very naughty and he ran straight to Mr. McGregor's garden and squeezed under the gate.

Peter Rabbit was busy filling himself up with tasty vegetables when whom should he meet but Mr. McGregor! Mr. McGregor was on his hands and knees planting cabbages, but he jumped up and ran after Peter with a rake. Peter ran as fast as he could, but he had forgotten the way back to the gate. He lost both of his shoes as he ran and got caught in a gooseberry net which ripped the buttons off his new blue jacket. Mr. McGregor nearly caught him with a sieve, but Peter wriggled out just in time, leaving his jacket behind him. He rushed into the toolshed and hid in a watering can. He sneezed, which gave away his hiding place, but he escaped out the window and Mr. McGregor went back to his work.

Peter finally found his way to the gate, but not before Mr. McGregor chased after him all the way with a garden hoe. Mr. McGregor hung up Peter's little jacket and shoes as a scarecrow to frighten the blackbirds out of the garden. Peter ran all the way home without looking behind him. He was very tired and did not feel at all well. Mrs. Rabbit put him to bed early and he drank only chamomile tea. Flopsy, Mopsy, and Cottontail, however, were very hungry and ate bread and milk and blackberries for supper.

In the drawing on the facing page, Mr. McGregor has spotted Peter Rabbit in his garden and is chasing after him. Can you find the three carrots and three radishes that Peter hoped to eat, the two shoes that he lost along the way, Mrs. Rabbit and her basket, the loaf of bread she went to buy, and Mr. McGregor's garden trowel?





Cinderella

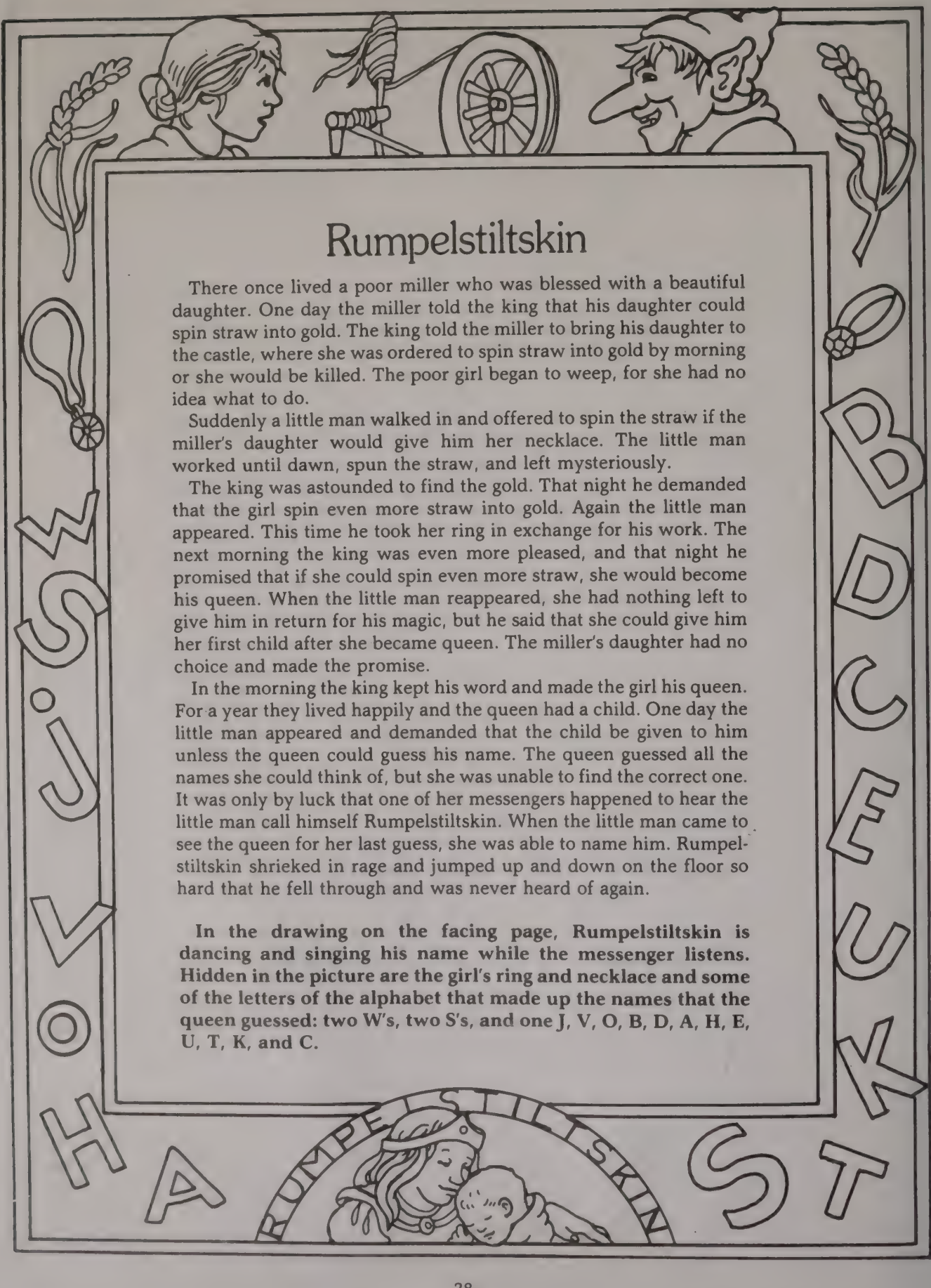
Many years ago there was an orphan who lived with her cruel stepmother and two ugly stepsisters. They were so jealous of her beauty that they forced her to do all the chores. They dressed in the richest clothing, but she had to wear rags and sleep among the cinders in the kitchen. Because of this she became known as Cinderella. One day the stepmother received an invitation to a grand ball that was to be given at the palace in honor of Prince Charming. The prince had decided that the time had come to marry, so all the unwed maidens of the kingdom were to attend. When Cinderella asked if she could go, her stepmother laughed at her.

On the night of the ball the stepmother and stepsisters went off in their finery, leaving Cinderella alone and weeping. Suddenly Cinderella's fairy godmother appeared and told her to dry her tears, for she *would* go to the ball. With a wave of her magic wand she turned Cinderella's rags into a gorgeous gown, and a pumpkin and some mice and lizards into a golden coach with footmen. Most wondrous of all, on Cinderella's feet was a gleaming pair of dancing slippers made entirely of glass. Cinderella was warned to return before midnight, for when the clock finished striking twelve the enchantment would end, and all would be as it had been before.

At the ball the prince had been unable to find any maiden he liked, but as soon as he saw Cinderella he fell in love with her. Cinderella was enjoying herself so much that she forgot the time. Suddenly the clock began to strike twelve. Remembering the fairy godmother's warning, she tore herself from the startled prince's arms and fled from the ballroom. In her haste a glass slipper fell from her foot. The prince found it and vowed to tour the kingdom, searching for the maiden whose foot fit the slipper. The slipper fit Cinderella, and she and the prince were married.

In the drawing on the facing page, the fairy godmother has just changed Cinderella's rags into a beautiful gown. Find the hidden five mice, two lizards, one pumpkin, two glass slippers, one pitcher, two pans, two brooms, and one scrub brush.





Rumpelstiltskin

There once lived a poor miller who was blessed with a beautiful daughter. One day the miller told the king that his daughter could spin straw into gold. The king told the miller to bring his daughter to the castle, where she was ordered to spin straw into gold by morning or she would be killed. The poor girl began to weep, for she had no idea what to do.

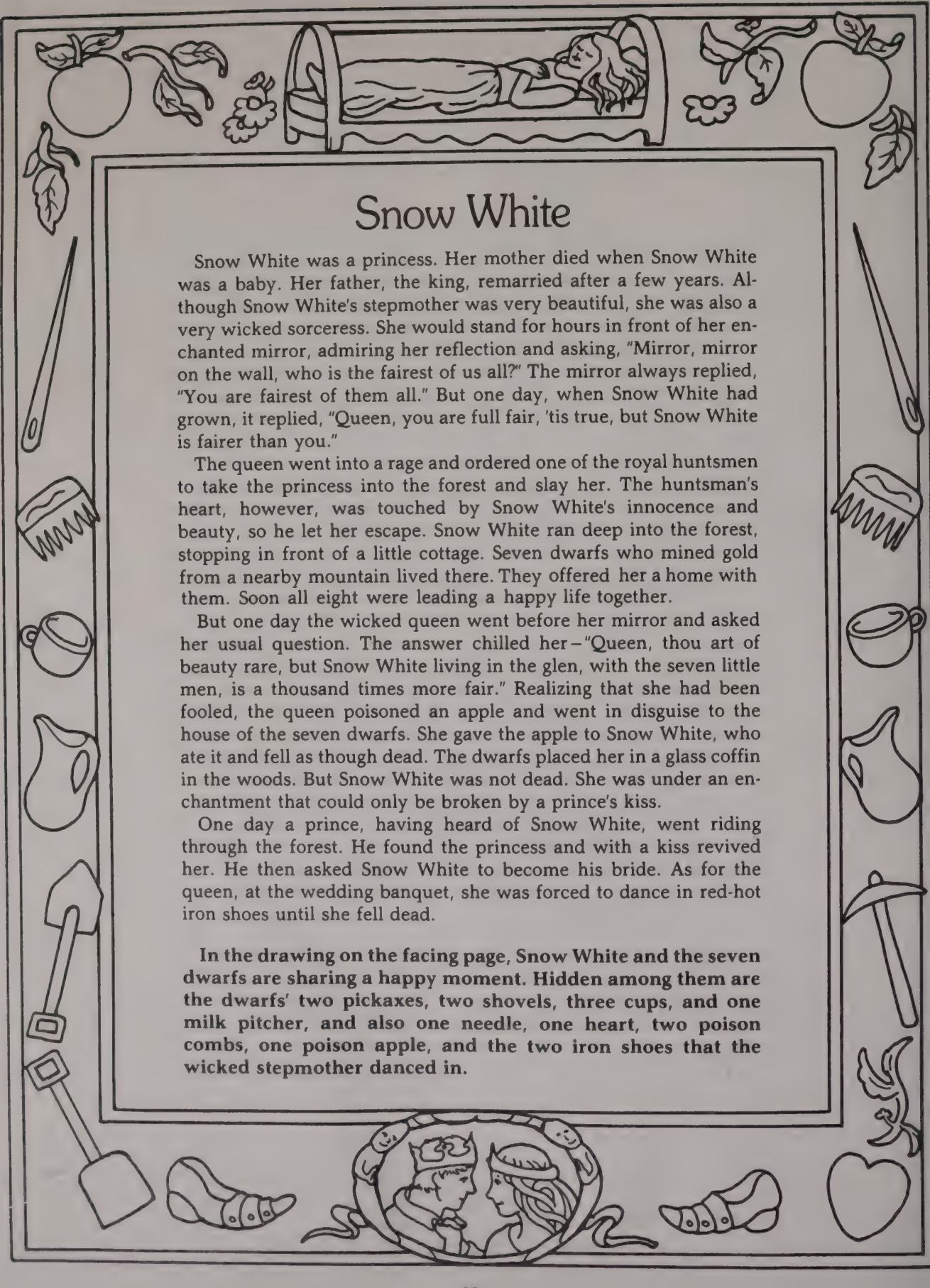
Suddenly a little man walked in and offered to spin the straw if the miller's daughter would give him her necklace. The little man worked until dawn, spun the straw, and left mysteriously.

The king was astounded to find the gold. That night he demanded that the girl spin even more straw into gold. Again the little man appeared. This time he took her ring in exchange for his work. The next morning the king was even more pleased, and that night he promised that if she could spin even more straw, she would become his queen. When the little man reappeared, she had nothing left to give him in return for his magic, but he said that she could give him her first child after she became queen. The miller's daughter had no choice and made the promise.

In the morning the king kept his word and made the girl his queen. For a year they lived happily and the queen had a child. One day the little man appeared and demanded that the child be given to him unless the queen could guess his name. The queen guessed all the names she could think of, but she was unable to find the correct one. It was only by luck that one of her messengers happened to hear the little man call himself Rumpelstiltskin. When the little man came to see the queen for her last guess, she was able to name him. Rumpelstiltskin shrieked in rage and jumped up and down on the floor so hard that he fell through and was never heard of again.

In the drawing on the facing page, Rumpelstiltskin is dancing and singing his name while the messenger listens. Hidden in the picture are the girl's ring and necklace and some of the letters of the alphabet that made up the names that the queen guessed: two W's, two S's, and one J, V, O, B, D, A, H, E, U, T, K, and C.





Snow White

Snow White was a princess. Her mother died when Snow White was a baby. Her father, the king, remarried after a few years. Although Snow White's stepmother was very beautiful, she was also a very wicked sorceress. She would stand for hours in front of her enchanted mirror, admiring her reflection and asking, "Mirror, mirror on the wall, who is the fairest of us all?" The mirror always replied, "You are fairest of them all." But one day, when Snow White had grown, it replied, "Queen, you are full fair, 'tis true, but Snow White is fairer than you."

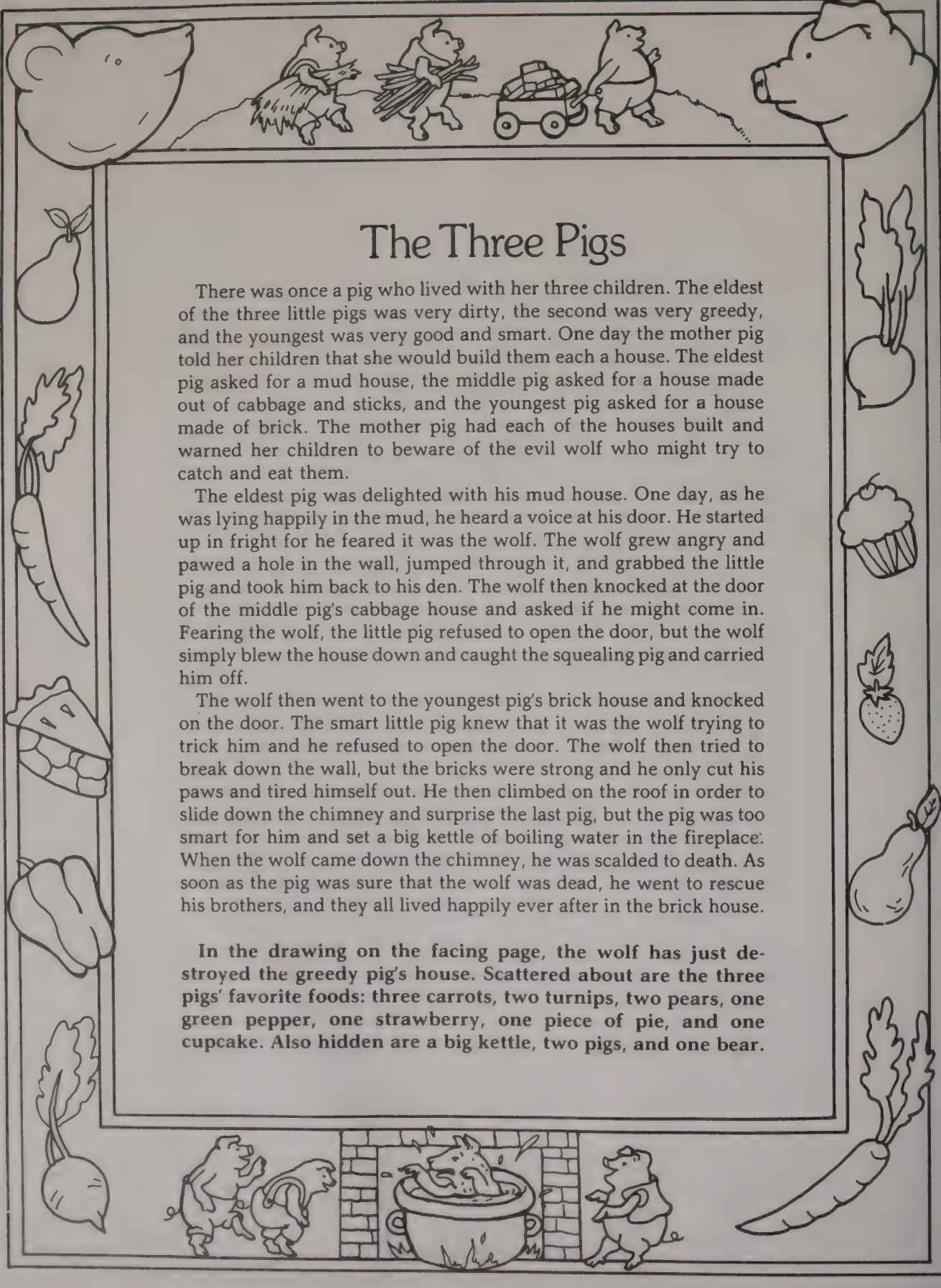
The queen went into a rage and ordered one of the royal huntsmen to take the princess into the forest and slay her. The huntsman's heart, however, was touched by Snow White's innocence and beauty, so he let her escape. Snow White ran deep into the forest, stopping in front of a little cottage. Seven dwarfs who mined gold from a nearby mountain lived there. They offered her a home with them. Soon all eight were leading a happy life together.

But one day the wicked queen went before her mirror and asked her usual question. The answer chilled her—"Queen, thou art of beauty rare, but Snow White living in the glen, with the seven little men, is a thousand times more fair." Realizing that she had been fooled, the queen poisoned an apple and went in disguise to the house of the seven dwarfs. She gave the apple to Snow White, who ate it and fell as though dead. The dwarfs placed her in a glass coffin in the woods. But Snow White was not dead. She was under an enchantment that could only be broken by a prince's kiss.

One day a prince, having heard of Snow White, went riding through the forest. He found the princess and with a kiss revived her. He then asked Snow White to become his bride. As for the queen, at the wedding banquet, she was forced to dance in red-hot iron shoes until she fell dead.

In the drawing on the facing page, Snow White and the seven dwarfs are sharing a happy moment. Hidden among them are the dwarfs' two pickaxes, two shovels, three cups, and one milk pitcher, and also one needle, one heart, two poison combs, one poison apple, and the two iron shoes that the wicked stepmother danced in.





The Three Pigs

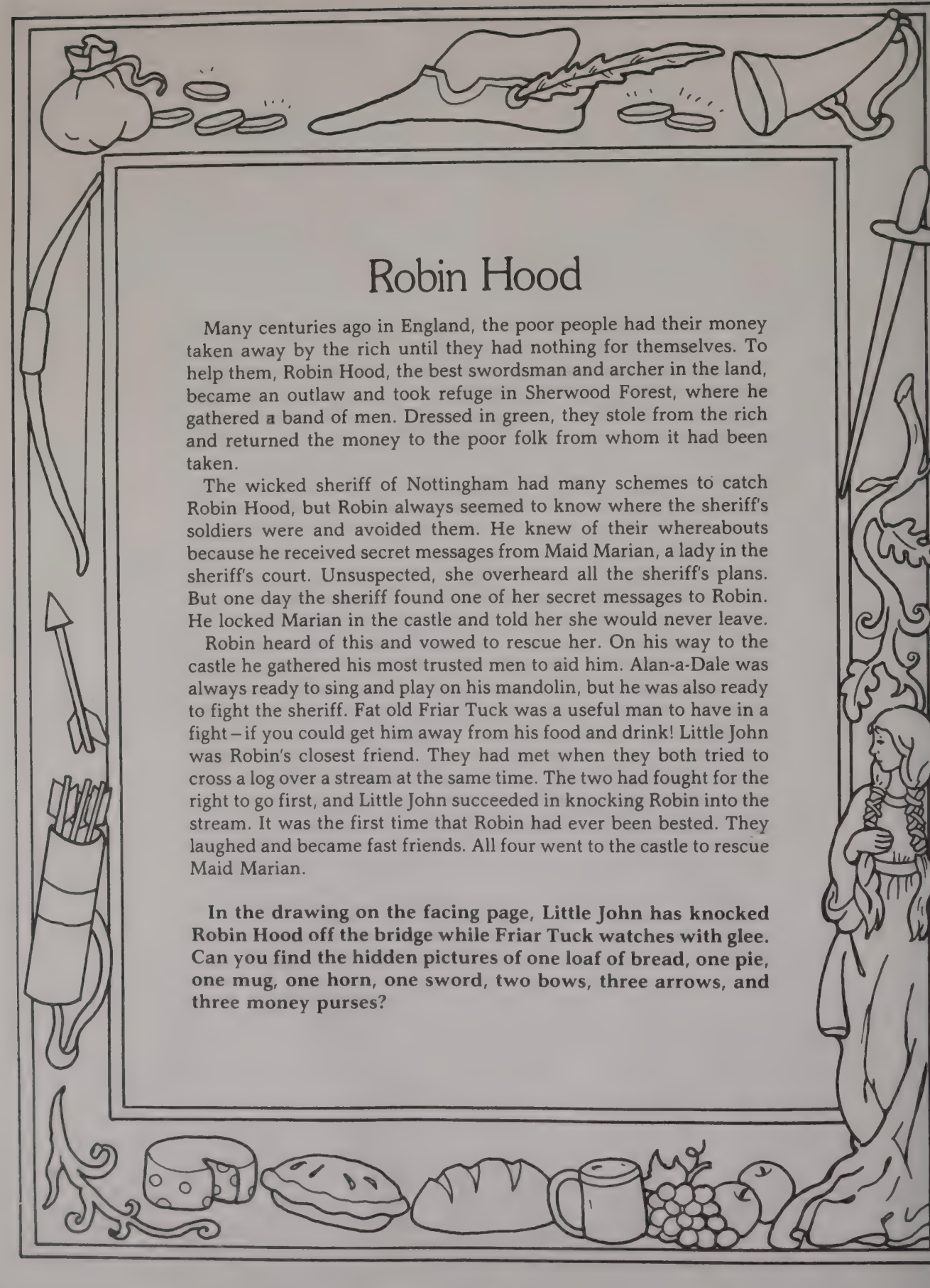
There was once a pig who lived with her three children. The eldest of the three little pigs was very dirty, the second was very greedy, and the youngest was very good and smart. One day the mother pig told her children that she would build them each a house. The eldest pig asked for a mud house, the middle pig asked for a house made out of cabbage and sticks, and the youngest pig asked for a house made of brick. The mother pig had each of the houses built and warned her children to beware of the evil wolf who might try to catch and eat them.

The eldest pig was delighted with his mud house. One day, as he was lying happily in the mud, he heard a voice at his door. He started up in fright for he feared it was the wolf. The wolf grew angry and pawed a hole in the wall, jumped through it, and grabbed the little pig and took him back to his den. The wolf then knocked at the door of the middle pig's cabbage house and asked if he might come in. Fearing the wolf, the little pig refused to open the door, but the wolf simply blew the house down and caught the squealing pig and carried him off.

The wolf then went to the youngest pig's brick house and knocked on the door. The smart little pig knew that it was the wolf trying to trick him and he refused to open the door. The wolf then tried to break down the wall, but the bricks were strong and he only cut his paws and tired himself out. He then climbed on the roof in order to slide down the chimney and surprise the last pig, but the pig was too smart for him and set a big kettle of boiling water in the fireplace. When the wolf came down the chimney, he was scalded to death. As soon as the pig was sure that the wolf was dead, he went to rescue his brothers, and they all lived happily ever after in the brick house.

In the drawing on the facing page, the wolf has just destroyed the greedy pig's house. Scattered about are the three pigs' favorite foods: three carrots, two turnips, two pears, one green pepper, one strawberry, one piece of pie, and one cupcake. Also hidden are a big kettle, two pigs, and one bear.





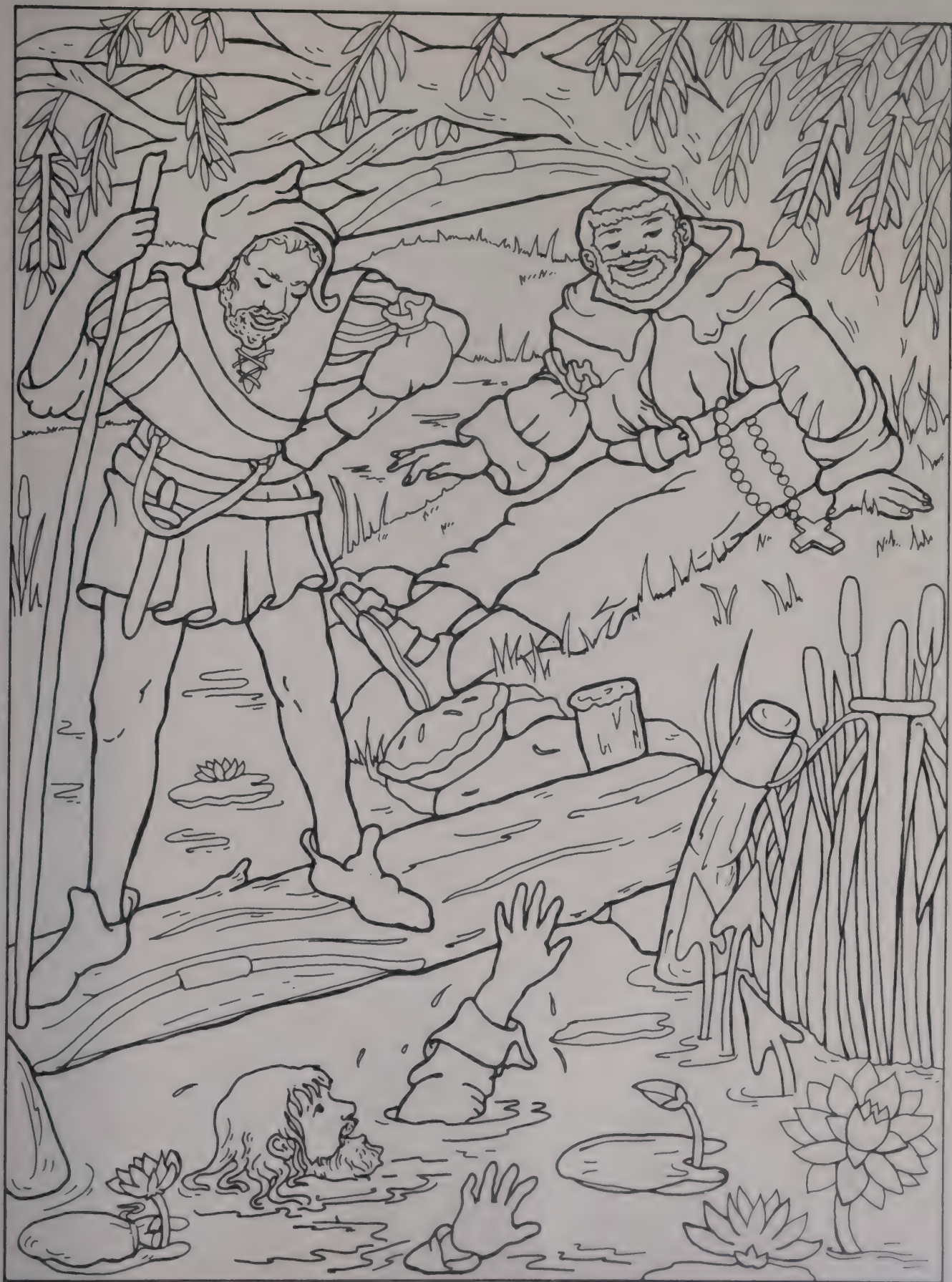
Robin Hood

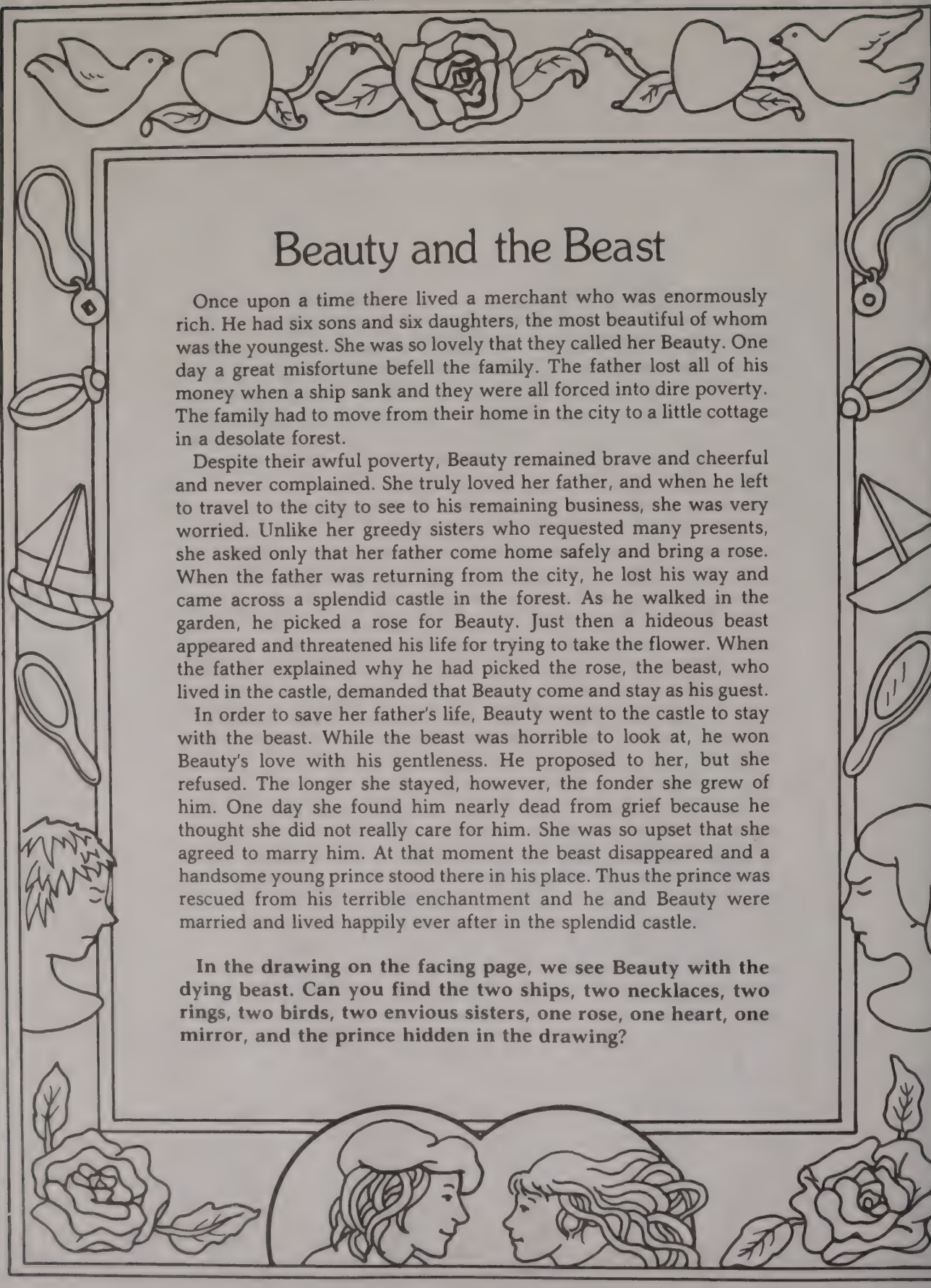
Many centuries ago in England, the poor people had their money taken away by the rich until they had nothing for themselves. To help them, Robin Hood, the best swordsman and archer in the land, became an outlaw and took refuge in Sherwood Forest, where he gathered a band of men. Dressed in green, they stole from the rich and returned the money to the poor folk from whom it had been taken.

The wicked sheriff of Nottingham had many schemes to catch Robin Hood, but Robin always seemed to know where the sheriff's soldiers were and avoided them. He knew of their whereabouts because he received secret messages from Maid Marian, a lady in the sheriff's court. Unsuspected, she overheard all the sheriff's plans. But one day the sheriff found one of her secret messages to Robin. He locked Marian in the castle and told her she would never leave.

Robin heard of this and vowed to rescue her. On his way to the castle he gathered his most trusted men to aid him. Alan-a-Dale was always ready to sing and play on his mandolin, but he was also ready to fight the sheriff. Fat old Friar Tuck was a useful man to have in a fight – if you could get him away from his food and drink! Little John was Robin's closest friend. They had met when they both tried to cross a log over a stream at the same time. The two had fought for the right to go first, and Little John succeeded in knocking Robin into the stream. It was the first time that Robin had ever been bested. They laughed and became fast friends. All four went to the castle to rescue Maid Marian.

In the drawing on the facing page, Little John has knocked Robin Hood off the bridge while Friar Tuck watches with glee. Can you find the hidden pictures of one loaf of bread, one pie, one mug, one horn, one sword, two bows, three arrows, and three money purses?





Beauty and the Beast

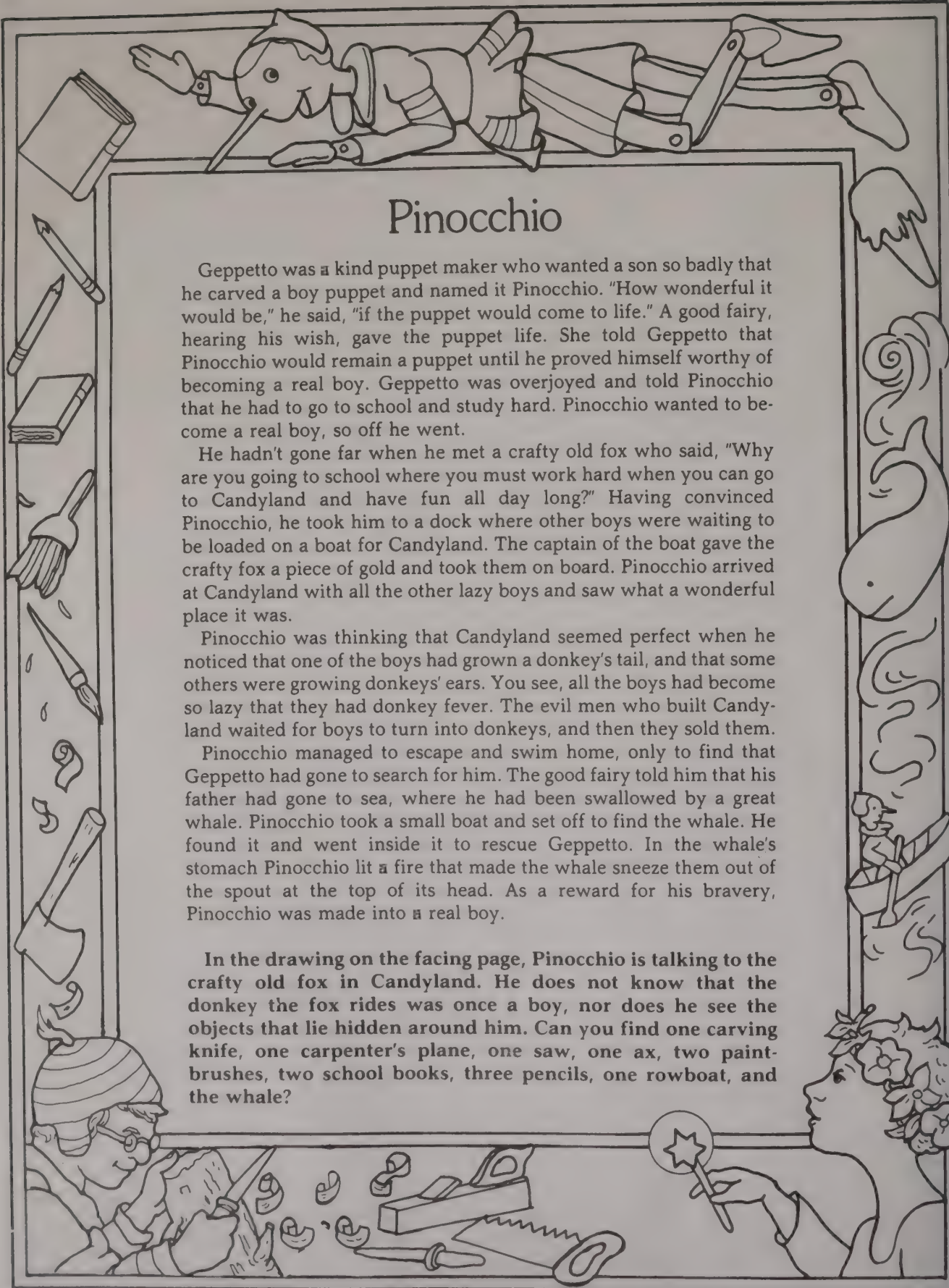
Once upon a time there lived a merchant who was enormously rich. He had six sons and six daughters, the most beautiful of whom was the youngest. She was so lovely that they called her Beauty. One day a great misfortune befell the family. The father lost all of his money when a ship sank and they were all forced into dire poverty. The family had to move from their home in the city to a little cottage in a desolate forest.

Despite their awful poverty, Beauty remained brave and cheerful and never complained. She truly loved her father, and when he left to travel to the city to see to his remaining business, she was very worried. Unlike her greedy sisters who requested many presents, she asked only that her father come home safely and bring a rose. When the father was returning from the city, he lost his way and came across a splendid castle in the forest. As he walked in the garden, he picked a rose for Beauty. Just then a hideous beast appeared and threatened his life for trying to take the flower. When the father explained why he had picked the rose, the beast, who lived in the castle, demanded that Beauty come and stay as his guest.

In order to save her father's life, Beauty went to the castle to stay with the beast. While the beast was horrible to look at, he won Beauty's love with his gentleness. He proposed to her, but she refused. The longer she stayed, however, the fonder she grew of him. One day she found him nearly dead from grief because he thought she did not really care for him. She was so upset that she agreed to marry him. At that moment the beast disappeared and a handsome young prince stood there in his place. Thus the prince was rescued from his terrible enchantment and he and Beauty were married and lived happily ever after in the splendid castle.

In the drawing on the facing page, we see Beauty with the dying beast. Can you find the two ships, two necklaces, two rings, two birds, two envious sisters, one rose, one heart, one mirror, and the prince hidden in the drawing?





Pinocchio

Geppetto was a kind puppet maker who wanted a son so badly that he carved a boy puppet and named it Pinocchio. "How wonderful it would be," he said, "if the puppet would come to life." A good fairy, hearing his wish, gave the puppet life. She told Geppetto that Pinocchio would remain a puppet until he proved himself worthy of becoming a real boy. Geppetto was overjoyed and told Pinocchio that he had to go to school and study hard. Pinocchio wanted to become a real boy, so off he went.

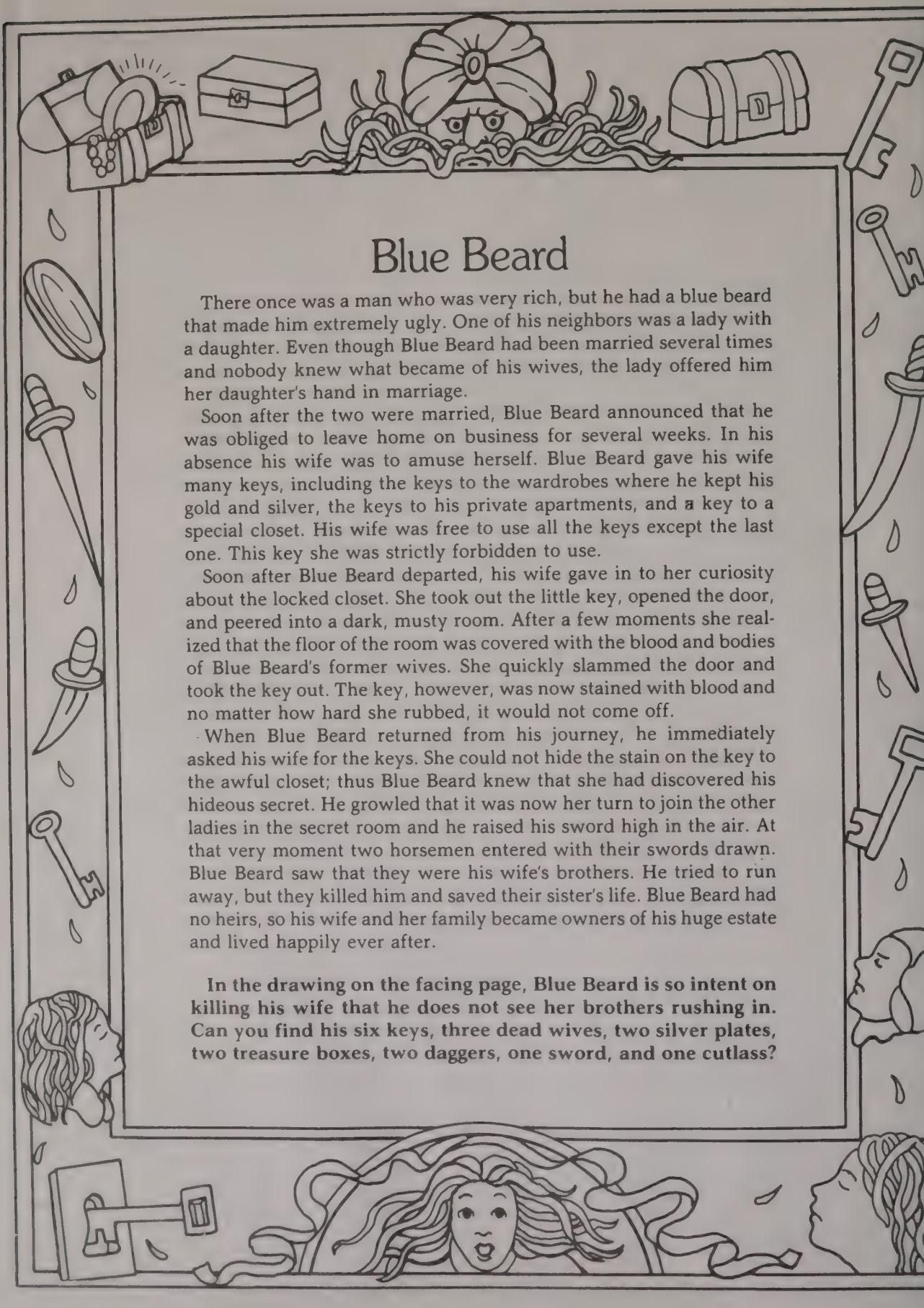
He hadn't gone far when he met a crafty old fox who said, "Why are you going to school where you must work hard when you can go to Candyland and have fun all day long?" Having convinced Pinocchio, he took him to a dock where other boys were waiting to be loaded on a boat for Candyland. The captain of the boat gave the crafty fox a piece of gold and took them on board. Pinocchio arrived at Candyland with all the other lazy boys and saw what a wonderful place it was.

Pinocchio was thinking that Candyland seemed perfect when he noticed that one of the boys had grown a donkey's tail, and that some others were growing donkeys' ears. You see, all the boys had become so lazy that they had donkey fever. The evil men who built Candyland waited for boys to turn into donkeys, and then they sold them.

Pinocchio managed to escape and swim home, only to find that Geppetto had gone to search for him. The good fairy told him that his father had gone to sea, where he had been swallowed by a great whale. Pinocchio took a small boat and set off to find the whale. He found it and went inside it to rescue Geppetto. In the whale's stomach Pinocchio lit a fire that made the whale sneeze them out of the spout at the top of its head. As a reward for his bravery, Pinocchio was made into a real boy.

In the drawing on the facing page, Pinocchio is talking to the crafty old fox in Candyland. He does not know that the donkey the fox rides was once a boy, nor does he see the objects that lie hidden around him. Can you find one carving knife, one carpenter's plane, one saw, one ax, two paintbrushes, two school books, three pencils, one rowboat, and the whale?





Blue Beard

There once was a man who was very rich, but he had a blue beard that made him extremely ugly. One of his neighbors was a lady with a daughter. Even though Blue Beard had been married several times and nobody knew what became of his wives, the lady offered him her daughter's hand in marriage.

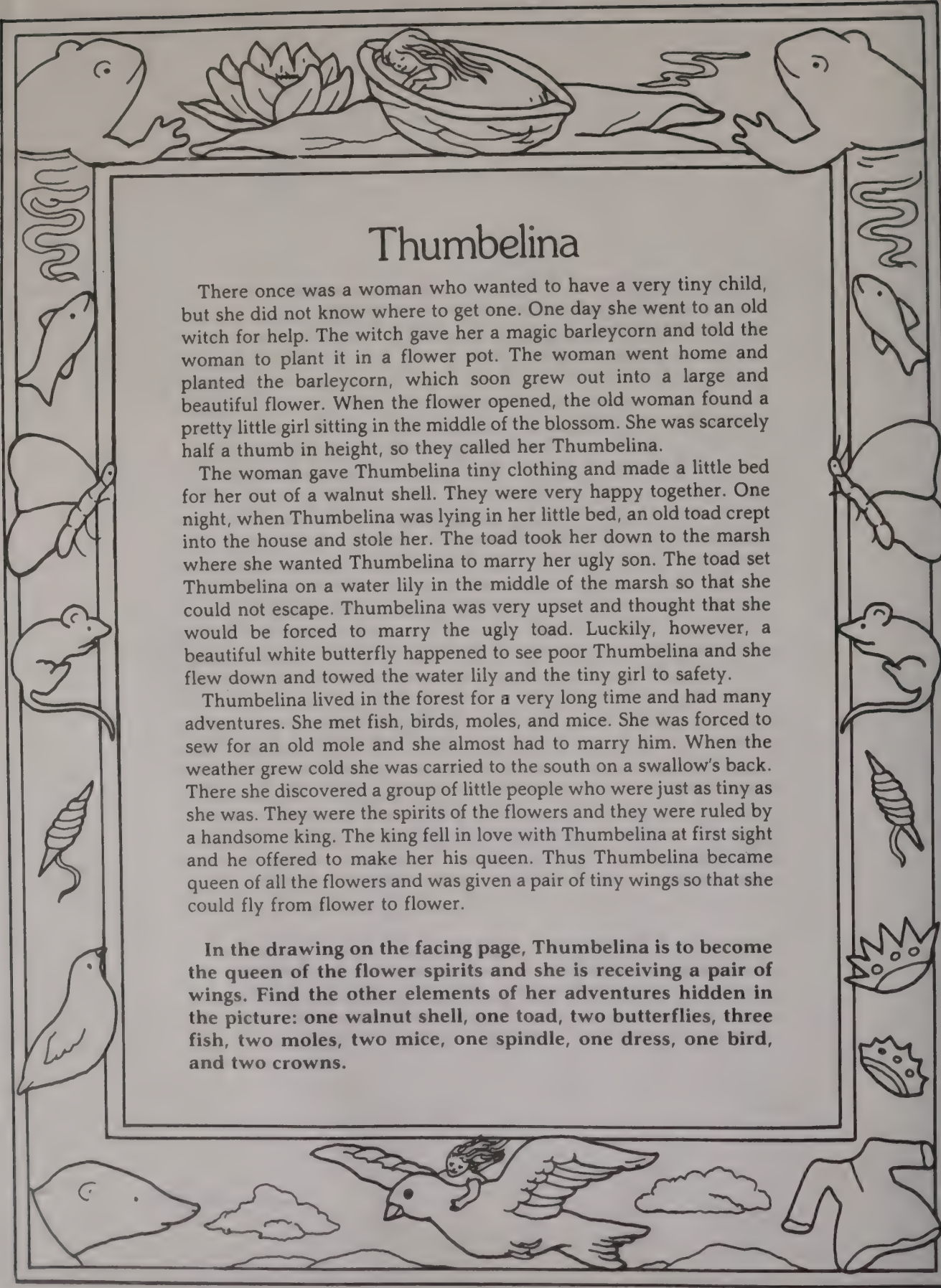
Soon after the two were married, Blue Beard announced that he was obliged to leave home on business for several weeks. In his absence his wife was to amuse herself. Blue Beard gave his wife many keys, including the keys to the wardrobes where he kept his gold and silver, the keys to his private apartments, and a key to a special closet. His wife was free to use all the keys except the last one. This key she was strictly forbidden to use.

Soon after Blue Beard departed, his wife gave in to her curiosity about the locked closet. She took out the little key, opened the door, and peered into a dark, musty room. After a few moments she realized that the floor of the room was covered with the blood and bodies of Blue Beard's former wives. She quickly slammed the door and took the key out. The key, however, was now stained with blood and no matter how hard she rubbed, it would not come off.

When Blue Beard returned from his journey, he immediately asked his wife for the keys. She could not hide the stain on the key to the awful closet; thus Blue Beard knew that she had discovered his hideous secret. He growled that it was now her turn to join the other ladies in the secret room and he raised his sword high in the air. At that very moment two horsemen entered with their swords drawn. Blue Beard saw that they were his wife's brothers. He tried to run away, but they killed him and saved their sister's life. Blue Beard had no heirs, so his wife and her family became owners of his huge estate and lived happily ever after.

In the drawing on the facing page, Blue Beard is so intent on killing his wife that he does not see her brothers rushing in. Can you find his six keys, three dead wives, two silver plates, two treasure boxes, two daggers, one sword, and one cutlass?





Thumbelina

There once was a woman who wanted to have a very tiny child, but she did not know where to get one. One day she went to an old witch for help. The witch gave her a magic barleycorn and told the woman to plant it in a flower pot. The woman went home and planted the barleycorn, which soon grew out into a large and beautiful flower. When the flower opened, the old woman found a pretty little girl sitting in the middle of the blossom. She was scarcely half a thumb in height, so they called her Thumbelina.

The woman gave Thumbelina tiny clothing and made a little bed for her out of a walnut shell. They were very happy together. One night, when Thumbelina was lying in her little bed, an old toad crept into the house and stole her. The toad took her down to the marsh where she wanted Thumbelina to marry her ugly son. The toad set Thumbelina on a water lily in the middle of the marsh so that she could not escape. Thumbelina was very upset and thought that she would be forced to marry the ugly toad. Luckily, however, a beautiful white butterfly happened to see poor Thumbelina and she flew down and towed the water lily and the tiny girl to safety.

Thumbelina lived in the forest for a very long time and had many adventures. She met fish, birds, moles, and mice. She was forced to sew for an old mole and she almost had to marry him. When the weather grew cold she was carried to the south on a swallow's back. There she discovered a group of little people who were just as tiny as she was. They were the spirits of the flowers and they were ruled by a handsome king. The king fell in love with Thumbelina at first sight and he offered to make her his queen. Thus Thumbelina became queen of all the flowers and was given a pair of tiny wings so that she could fly from flower to flower.

In the drawing on the facing page, Thumbelina is to become the queen of the flower spirits and she is receiving a pair of wings. Find the other elements of her adventures hidden in the picture: one walnut shell, one toad, two butterflies, three fish, two moles, two mice, one spindle, one dress, one bird, and two crowns.



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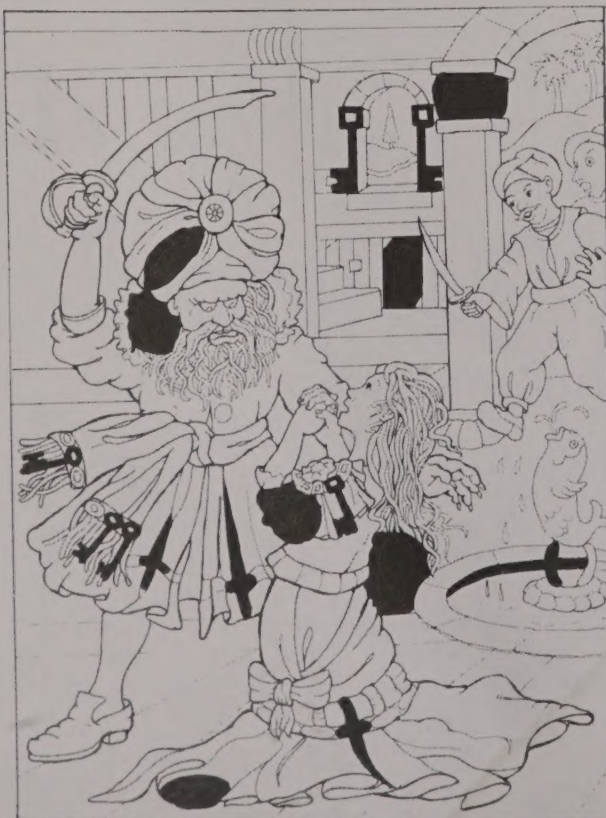
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